



# ~ Thought For The Day ~

~gathering from the 4 winds~

“come just as you are”

Refresh, Restore, Rebuild = Healing



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## Prayer

God Father; in Jesus' name I ask it, Lord, thank You for delivering us and drawing us out of the control and dominion of darkness and transferring us into the kingdom of the Son of Your love, in Whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. Led and guide us this week in God's will for us and plans. If we are doing anything that is not God's will than I pray for conviction. Change us and mold us as into exactly what You want as only You can change people, and than we must receive it. Give us each peace and protect us all and supply our needs, in Jesus' name. Amen.

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## Scripture Colossians Introduction (AMP; 2005)

### Colossians 1:27 (AMP)

<sup>27</sup>To whom God was pleased to make known how great for the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ within *and* among you, the Hope of [realizing the] glory.

### Colossians 3:15 (AMP)

<sup>15</sup>And let the peace (soul harmony which comes) from Christ rule (act as umpire continually) in your hearts [deciding and settling with finality all questions that arise in your minds, in that peaceful state] to which as [members of Christ's] one body you were also called [to live]. And be thankful (appreciative), [giving praise to God always].

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**The Church at Colosse;**

The church at Colosse was established on Paul's third missionary journey, during his three years in Ephesus, not by Paul himself (Colossians 2:1), but by Epaphras (1:7, 4:12-13). Archippus also exercised a fruitful ministry there (4:17; Philemon 2). Philemon was an active member of this church, as was Onesimus (Colossians 4:9).

**Occasion and Date of the Epistle;**

Paul was in prison in Rome, in A.D. 59-61/62. He spent at least two years under house arrest (Acts 28: 16-31). He had written a previous letter with instructions about Mark (4:10). In the meantime, Epaphras, a member of the church in Colosse, had come to Rome with word that a dangerous heresy was making headway in the church. It seems that Epaphras then was also imprisoned in Rome (Philemon 23). Paul then wrote this letter and sent it with Tychicus and Onesimus (4:7-9), who also carried Paul's letter to the Ephesians and the one to Philemon (Ephesians 6:21).

**The Colossian Heresy**

The heresy seems to have been a mixture of Greek, Jewish, and Oriental religions, a sort of higher thought cult that presented itself as a philosophy (2:8). It called for the worship of angels as intermediaries between God and man (2:18) and insisted on the strict observance of certain Jewish requirements, almost to the point of asceticism (2:16, 21). It was proclaimed in high sounding phrases and with an air of superiority, as part of the Gospel of Christ.

**The Similarity to the Letter to the Ephesians**

Colossians and Ephesians were written at the same time. Both are carefully developed statements of the great doctrines of the Gospel, to be read aloud in the churches, and are very similar in many of their passages. But their main themes are entirely different: Ephesians focuses on the unity and grandeur of the church; Colossians emphasizes the deity and all sufficiency of Christ as contrasted with the emptiness of mere human philosophy.

**Colosse:**

An ancient city in Phrygia (in modern Turkey), situated about 110 miles inland of Ephesus and about 10 miles up the Lycus valley from Laodicea. Colosse stood on the most important trade route from Ephesus to the Euphrates and was a place of great importance from early times. When Laodicea was founded a short distance away, traffic was rerouted through the new city, leaving Colosse to decline in social and commercial importance. In Paul's day it was only an insignificant market town, and the site is now uninhabited. (Halley's Bible Handbook; 2000; history, commentaries, notes; pages 818-819)

In this book, Paul addresses a popular false teaching that undermined the sufficiency and lordship of Jesus Christ and was prevalent in the city of Colossae. In response, Paul wrote throughout Colossians of Jesus' power and pre-eminence, of His superiority over worldly thinking, legalism, and carnal Christianity. His loyalty and passion for Jesus is seen throughout this letter, and I hope that his zeal inspires you today.

Among all the great teaching in Colossians, Paul continually urges us to keep Jesus first in our lives. He exhorts us to do everything as though we are doing it for God and not for other people (see Colossians 3:23). He tells us that Christ is in us as the hope of glory (see Colossians 1:27) and reminds us that we are complete and forgiven in Him (see Colossians 2:10, 13).

As you read Colossians, my prayer for you is the same as Paul's prayer in Colossians 1:9-11: that you are filled with the knowledge of God's will, that you have spiritual discernment, that you walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, that your life bears fruit, that you grow and increase in the knowledge of God, and that you are strengthened with all power and with joy. I also pray that you see Jesus in ways you never have before and that His presence and power will increase daily in your life.

In everything you do, keep Jesus first.

Do everything you do as though you are working for God.

Remember that you are complete and fully forgiven in Christ.

According to Colossians 1:4, faith is the leaning of the entire human personality on God in absolute trust and confidence in His power, wisdom, and goodness.

Do you know what that says to me? It says that my faith is manifested as I lean on God totally, taking all the weight off myself and placing everything on Him, trusting in: 1) His power and ability to do *what* needs to be done, 2) His wisdom and knowledge to do it *when* it needs to be done, and 3) His goodness and love to do it the *way* it needs to be done.

What kind of prayers do you pray for yourself and for others? Colossians 1:9-11 is an awesome prayer to pray. Ask God to fill you with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom, understanding, and discernment so you can live a life worthy of Him and bear fruit. Ask Him also to strengthen you with power and might.

(AMP Bible; "The Everyday Life Bible"; 2005; Scripture, notes, commentaries; Joyce Meyer Ministry; pages 1961 - 1966) (The Word, series 9, software, 2005, Bibles, concord, dictionary, scripture)

**Proverbs 3:7-20 (KJV)**

<sup>7</sup> Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.

<sup>8</sup> It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.

<sup>9</sup> Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:

<sup>10</sup> So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.

<sup>11</sup> My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary of his correction:

<sup>12</sup> For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son *in whom* he delighteth.

<sup>13</sup> Happy *is* the man *that* findeth wisdom, and the man *that* getteth understanding.

<sup>14</sup> For the merchandise of it *is* better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.

<sup>15</sup> She *is* more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.

<sup>16</sup> Length of days *is* in her right hand; *and* in her left hand riches and honour.

<sup>17</sup> Her ways *are* ways of pleasantness, and all her paths *are* peace.

<sup>18</sup> She *is* a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy *is every one* that retaineth her.

<sup>19</sup> The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens.

<sup>20</sup> By his knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew.

**Psa 119:105**

Thy word [is] a lamp unto  
my feet, and a light unto my path.



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