



Guide

8/4 - Colossians 1:1-2;15-20

LOVE

A new commandment I give to you, that you love *one another*... (John 13:34)

- *Internal*: How was your week...anything new?! How was your walk with the Lord this week?
- *External*: Is there any individual or family who is struggling or needs encouragement from us?

TRUTH

Let the word of God dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing *one another*... (Col. 3:16)

1. When you reflect on the message from Sunday, what most resonated with you?
2. Let's read our primary text. In the opening verses Paul refers to himself as an Apostle. Is he an Apostle? How so?
3. Why was Paul writing to the Colossians? What was he concerned with? What heresies were present in Colossae?
4. Of the heresies discussed, which are present in our culture today? Briefly, how would you speak to each of these false beliefs from a Christian worldview? [Apologetics Practice]
5. We will spend more time on this text in a later guide (have no fear), but when you read verses 15-20, which statement about Jesus most moves you?
6. How does this passage of Scripture capture the theme or main idea of the book of Colossians? Can you find a thesis statement in these verses?
7. Any other thoughts you would like to share before we wrap up this text?

GREAT COMMISSION

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... (Matt. 28:19-20)

- Did you disciple your family well this week? Is it apparent to others that Jesus the reason for your hope in your daily activity? Would anyone like to share the gospel with the group?

CONFESSION/PRAYER/REPENTANCE

But exhort *one another* every day, as long as it is called "today,"... (Heb. 3:12-14)

- Confession is agreeing with God about our sin according to the Scriptures. Is there anything you want to confess before the group? [*apathy, idolatry, selfishness, jealousy, anger, envy*]
- Let's pray, asking God to help us apply His word to our lives, putting to death sinful desires.