

GOD

COLOSSIANS 1:3

How did you see God working in your life this week? (Romans 1:11, 12)

BACKGROUND: “Many Bible scholars have concluded that Colossians is the most profound letter Paul ever wrote.” Warren Wiersbe, Be Complete, p. 25.

HE IS THE FATHER. “There is no time the Son did not exist, but there is a time God became a Father...we must think of the Son always, so to speak, streaming forth from the Father like light from a lamp or heat from a fire or thoughts from a mind,” C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity. (**Colossians 1:3, Hebrews 1:1-3, fn 1:1, 2, fn 1:2, 3, Colossians 1:15-17, fn 1:16, fn 1:17, John 1:1-5, fn 1:4,5, John 10:30, fn 10:30, John 12:44-46, fn 12:45**) *How do you picture the relationship between God and Jesus in your mind?*

HE GAVE HIS SON to be the mediator between God and man. Through Christ, God sends His love and forgiveness. (**Colossians 1:3, Romans 1:8, fn 1:8, I Timothy 2:5, 6, fn 2:5, 6, John 14:6, fn 14:5, 6 II Corinthians 5:21, fn 5:21, John 3:16, fn 3:16[1st]**) *How do you picture the relationship between God and Jesus and you?*

WE GIVE THANKS TO HIM FOR YOU. You give thanks to Him for us. God gives His friends to His friends, saints to saints, to share His love with one another. (**Colossians 1:3, II Thessalonians 1:3, fn 1:3, Romans 1:6-12, fn 1:6-12, Romans 15:5-7, fn 15:5-7, Philemon 4-7, fn 4-7, Philippians 1:3-6**) *How do you picture the relationship between you and the saints?*

Check up—Are you praying with your spouse and your family? Group—Pray for personal requests and bond together by fellowshiping together.

