

# 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[1<sup>st</sup>]**) *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.*

