

Message Notes

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Bible Focus: Colossians 3:15-17

Message Title: Thankfulness

Colossians 3:15-17 – *Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

The false teaching in the church at Colossae was that _____
was fully _____, but not fully _____.

We give thanks to _____ the _____ who sent Jesus His
_____ who by grace forgives our sin and fills those who believe
in Him as both _____ and _____ with the gift of the
_____.

As the _____ of Christ, we want everyone who believes to
press deeper into the _____ and _____ of God through
Jesus.

We are to share our _____ in whatever we
do in _____ or _____ as we do all in the name of the
Lord Jesus, giving _____ to God the Father through
him.

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

Colossians 3:15-17

1. Why is it so important to the apostle Paul that Christians know that God and Jesus are one?
2. Does everyone believe the exact same things about God and Jesus Christ at the exact same times? Why is it so important that Paul instruct that we allow the peace of Christ to rule our hearts as members of one body?
3. How can we as members of one body at BCC allow the message of Christ dwell richly among us?
4. Is it easy for you to teach or admonish a fellow believer in the church? Why? How can we grow in this way, and what can we do now to help this to occur naturally?
5. Why is it so important that we follow Paul's instructions to sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in our hearts? Is it possible to sing without gratitude?
6. What types of activities in our lives should be done in the name of Jesus with thankfulness to God the Father?
7. Can you think of something for which you are most thankful to God at this time? Have you done this thing in the name of Jesus, giving thanks to God through him?
8. Can you think of something that was a difficulty in your life, which you now are thankful to God for allowing and bringing you through? Why does it often seem our difficult situations in life are easier to thank God for once we are on the other side of them?
9. Is there someone you can pray for so you can share teaching or admonishment with them in the name of Jesus this week?