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Introduction to Colossians

I. Background

- A. Colossian Heresy
 - 1. Offering Spiritual Fullness
 - 2. Offering Spiritual Freedom
 - 3. Offering Insight in the power of evil
 - 4. Offering a False Philosophy
 - 5. Syncretism

II. Paul's Address

- A. Authority: An Apostle
- B. Audience: Saints & Faithful Brothers

III. The Gospel

- A. From Epaphras: 1 Jn 4:13-15
- B. Their Response to the Gospel
 - 1. Love for the Saints
 - 2. Hope Laid Up in Heaven

IV. Paul's Purpose in Writing

- A. That they should grow in Maturity
- B. Evidence of Maturity
 - Knowledge of God's Will
 - Spiritual Wisdom and Understanding
 - Living a God honoring lifestyle
 - Pleasing the Lord
 - Bearing fruit by doing good works
 - Increasing in the knowledge of God.
 - Strengthened with His glorious might and power
 - Which gives endurance and patience and joy
- C. Result of the Gospel – Col 1:13

V. The Supremacy of Christ

- A. Supreme Lord in Creation
- B. Supreme Lord in Redemption
- C. Sufficient Savior
 - 1. In Who He Is
 - 2. What He Has Done