

## SERIES: MAY- JULY: THE MAIN THING SPEAKER: NAT CRAWFORD Wednesday, 6/29/2022 Scripture: Colossians TITLE: Colossians – He is Enough

What would you feel or think if you woke up tomorrow and your checking account was empty? Or you came home from vacation and your home had been robbed? How would you react to your car being t-boned or if your health disappeared? What would you do?

If you're unsure of your response or are facing one of these realities today, then you should read the book of Colossians.

The Book of Colossians was written by the Apostle Paul during his first Roman imprisonment. He wrote 3 other letters at the same time. The city of Colossae was once a bustling city of commerce but by the time of Paul's writing it was overshadowed by its neighboring cities. The Colossian church was never visited by Paul. It was planted by Epaphras during Paul's third missionary journey.

Why did Paul write this letter to a church he never personally knew? Paul wrote this letter to refute heresy that devalued Christ. When one sees Christ clearly, they can refute and reject all imitations and distortions. As one commentator neatly put it: "A proper view of Christ is the antidote for heresy." <sup>1</sup>

In this letter you will find see Jesus Christ as the fulness of the Godhead, Jesus Christ as fullyman and fully God. We see that Christ is the head of the church. He is before all things and sustains all things. In other words, Christ is superior.

So what's the main thing from Colossians? It's that Christ is enough. The believer is complete in Him alone and lacks nothing because "the entire fullness of God's nature dwells bodily in Christ," (Colossians 2:9, CSB); He has "all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." (Colossians 2:3)

Colossians 1:15-20 says,

"He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For everything was created by him, in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities— all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and by him all things hold together. He is also the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Bruce Wilkinson and Kenneth Boa, <u>*Talk Thru the Bible*</u> (Nashville: T. Nelson, 1983), 412.

everything to himself, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross."

Christ is sufficient. Christ is superior in everything. Christ is our perfect savior. Therefore, Christ is enough.

So my challenge for you today is to believe and live it. We all are faced with false christs, false Christianity, and idols that steal our attention and worship. But nothing but the real Christ satisfies. So we need to believe it and live it.

When we believe in Christ's sufficiency and superiority, we will win the day.