May 11, 2025 Discussion Guide Colossians

Scripture reading: Colossians 1:1-14

CHECK UP:

*Memory Work: ... there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. - 1 Corinthians 12:25

*How did you practice biblical encouragement, faithful accountability or genuine care this past week?

OPEN:

- What was a highlight in your week this past week? What was a particular challenge you had?
- Did you B.L.E.S.S. someone this past week? (Begin in prayer, Listen, Eat, Serve, Share)

READ and ASK: Colossians 1:1-14

- What do you find appealing about the way Paul started his letter to the Colossians?
- What did Paul praise the Colossians for? What can we learn from that?
- How does Paul model the importance of thanksgiving?
 - o Why is thankfulness a key fruit of spiritual maturity?
- What did Paul pray for the Colossian Christians?
 - o What does that mean?
- Why do you think Paul emphasizes the TRUTH of the gospel?
- How is the gospel producing fruit in our church?

APPLY:

- What can we learn about praying for others from this passage?
- How are the results of faith, love, and hope evident in your life?
- How would you say your life is rooted in the gospel?
 - NEXT STEP: What steps do you need to take to be more rooted in the gospel this week?

Memory Work:

We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, - Colossians 1:9b

Next Week's Reading:

Colossians 1:15-23