**Lesson 34**

**Colossians**

**Wednesday @ the Well**

In Colossians, Paul emphasized Christ’s pre-eminence. It is interesting to note how often he used the words fullness, all and filled. The key verse is 1.18. Write it out below:

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**Brief Outline of the Book:**

**I. The Pre-Eminence of Christ (chap 1)**

**II. The False Fullness (chap 2)**

**III. The Real Fullness (chap 3)**

**IV. Closing Remarks to the Colossians (chap 4)**

**I. The Pre-Eminence of Christ (chap 1)**

Read verses 15-18 and list the unique features of Jesus:

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1.18a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**II. The False Fullness (chap 2)**

The teachers at Colossae were saying that Jesus was not unique and that it was necessary to add some things to Christ to make their religion complete. Besides the verses below, list the additions they tried to make to Christ.

Verse 8\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Verse 18\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

List below some things that people today try to add to the teachings of Jesus in order to receive salvation.

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**III. The Real Fullness (chap 3)**

Becoming a Christian means a definite break with out old way of life. In 3.8-9 Paul is very specific in listing some things that should no longer be a part of our lives if we are Christians. What are they?

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3.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**IV. Closing Remarks to the Colossians (chap 4)**

We find some personal news in verse 7.17. In verse 10 we see that a cousin of Barnabas was with Paul. This suggests that a dispute had been settled. What was this dispute and who was involved? Refer to Acts 15.36-40.

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Among others that were with Paul was Demas (Col 4.14). Demas is the only one of Paul’s companions that Paul says nothing about in Colossians. This silence suggests Paul’s doubt or fear concerning Demas. What do we find concerning Demas in 2 Timothy 4.10?

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