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Colossians: Rooted in Christ

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Colossians 1:1-2

Jesus Christ is supreme Lord of all. Colossians was written to remind believers of that great truth. The opening verses tell us, “all things were created through him and for him.” Because Jesus is supreme Lord of all, a believer’s life must be rooted in the person of Jesus Christ. Colossians describes how to root our life in Jesus Christ and what the rooted life looks like.

Additional Verses:

Psalms 1, 20:7

John 15:1-11

Acts 1:8, 19:8-10

Romans 5:1

1 Corinthians 1:1-3

1 Timothy 2:13

Outline:

1. The authority of God’s word for a rooted life.

2. The necessity of being in Christ for a rooted life.

3. The quality of faithfulness for a rooted life.

4. The importance of church for a rooted life.

5. The goodness of God’s virtues for a rooted life.

Study Questions:

1. Why must a Christian be rooted in Jesus Christ? How does this protect us from empty deceit and vain traditions? How does this facilitate the abundant life?

2. What is the function of God’s word in a rooted life? What areas do you have trouble submitting to the authority of God’s word? How can that be remedied?

3. What two “in” locations are mentioned for believers? How do these two relate to each other?

4. How does the local church help you live a rooted life? How does Jesus use the local church to advance the gospel? How are you seeing that in your life and at Red Bank?

5. Why are grace and peace virtues from God? How do they interconnect? How are you living in them in your daily life?

6. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?