

**Colossae (Kolossai÷ Kolossai).** Located in the Lycus valley of southwest Phrygia in Asia Minor, Colossae was situated to the southeast of Laodicea at the foot of Mount Cadmus. Though somewhat overshadowed by Laodicea, Colossae was nevertheless an important commercial center in the Roman province of Asia.



**Figures 1 and 2:** Scattered remains of Ancient Colossae. Colossae was likely devastated by the first-century earthquake which severely damaged the neighboring town of Laodicea. It was eventually abandoned, and remains unexcavated to this day.  
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Baldwin Hills Baptist Church  
Sunday, March 7, 2021

## Sermon Outline

### “The Church At Colossae Afflicted With Much False Teaching!” Pt.2

- Selected Scripture From Colossians -  
*(Problems In The Church Series)*

#### I. BACKGROUND OF THE CHURCH

- It was located in the Lycus Valley 100 miles East of Ephesus. It was also 12 miles from Laodicea and Hierapolis, the other two cities in the valley.
- Epaphras did much of the evangelism work there. He visited Paul or was in prison also. Col. 4:12.13
- It is one of the Prison Epistles, written from prison, Acts 28:16, 30; Philemon 1:9

#### II. PAUL GREET'S THE CHURCH, Col. 1:1-4

- A. He Makes Mention Of His Apostleship, v-1a
- B. His Fellow Worker Timothy Is With Him, v-1b
- C. He Expresses God's Desire For Them, v-2
- D. He Expresses His Thanks To God And His Prayer For them, v-3, 4

#### III. PAUL EXPRESSES THE **CONTENT** OF HIS PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH

- A. Epaphras Told Paul About The Church, v-7, 8
- B. His Prayer Is That They Might Have Full Knowledge Of God's Will, v-9
- C. That They Be Pleasing To God, v-10, 11
- D. That They Might Joyously Give Thanks To God For His Great Salvation In Christ, v-12-14
- E. That They Really Know Who Christ Is, v-15-20**

--In giving the Church the Content of what he was praying for them. Paul was given them a clear picture of Who Jesus Christ really was!

#### IV. THE CHURCH WAS BEING TROUBLED BY THE FALSE TEACHING OF FALSE TEACHERS

- A. Paul Warns Them Against Being Deceived Several Ways, 2:8-10