

## “Peace and Thanks in the Body” (Colossians 3:15)

- I. THE SALUTATION TO THE COLOSSIANS (1:1-2)
- II. THE PRAYERS OF PAUL AND TIMOTHY FOR THE COLOSSIANS (1:3-14)
- III. THE PRE-EMINENCE OF CHRIST'S POSITION AND WORK (1:15-23)
- IV. THE PROPAGATION OF CHRIST'S WORK (1:23c-2:3)
- V. THE PROBLEM AND PROTECTION FROM FALSE TEACHING (2:4-23)
- VI. THE PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATION OF CHRIST'S POSITION AND WORK (3:1-4:6)

\* Does God want you to be crabby, irritable and whining?

### A. God's PEACE Provided

\* "Peace" -

\* Prior to salvation you were God's \_\_\_\_\_

\* Through \_\_\_\_\_ by faith, you are at \_\_\_\_\_ **WITH** God

\* Throughout your earthly life, you can possess the peace \_\_\_\_\_ God which is enjoyed as you \_\_\_\_\_ by faith in principles and promises of God's Word

### B. God's PEACE Experienced as a New Man in Christ (Col 3:15)

1. The enjoyment of God's peace individually starts and ends in your \_\_\_\_\_

2. It includes \_\_\_\_\_ and reckoning upon your \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ

3. The 1<sup>st</sup> command is to let the Peace of God \_\_\_\_\_ in your hearts

\* Whose peace is this?

\* What is the peace to do?

\* "rule" -

\* Is there a false peace?

\* What does "in which" refer to?

6. The 2<sup>nd</sup> command is to \_\_\_\_\_

\* Literally this reads:

\* Thankfulness is intimately connected with your \_\_\_\_\_ of grace

\* The more you \_\_\_\_\_ and personally see God's \_\_\_\_\_ in your life, the \_\_\_\_\_ the expression of thanks

\* What does the present tense of the command indicate?

\* What should this mean to You?