

Colossians 1:9-18 (October 29, 2023)
“The Savior You Have Embraced”

SERMON DISCUSSION: How were you impacted by the sermon? What new thoughts or lessons did you discover? In what ways did you find yourself challenged and/or encouraged?

READ Colossians 1:9-18

1. Paul prayed that the Colossian believers would understand God’s will for their lives. What is revealed about God’s will in the following passages?

Colossians 1:9-12

Romans 12:1-2

Ephesians 5:15-17

1 Thessalonians 4:3-4

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

2. From Colossians 1:11 and Ephesians 1:18-21, describe the power available to those in Christ and the purpose for this power.

3. According to this Colossians passage, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, and James 1:2-4 why is it possible to face difficult circumstances with joy and thanksgiving? Share if you have found this to be true for you.

4. What prompted Paul to pray for the Colossians (look back to Colossians 1:3-4)?
What information about others prompts you to pray for them?
Consider Paul's prayer and share how it might change the focus of how you pray for others.

5. Paul reminds the Colossians that in Christ, "we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."
What is "redemption" and "the forgiveness of sins"? Why do we need both?

6. Colossians 1:15-18 gives a rich and detailed description of Christ. Discuss this description
and share what is especially meaningful to you in your current circumstances.