



*The Greatness of Christ:
A Study of Colossians
Week 2 - 1:1-14*

Intro

- Paul's preamble follows a very standard form of ancient letters, which consisted of three parts: identification of the writer(s), identification of the recipient(s), and a greeting.
- Read 1:1-8
 - What are the parts of the preamble identified above?
 - Paul begins his letter with a prayer of thanksgiving about the Colossians. What are some of the key things he mentions in this prayer?
 - What is the hope that is laid up for us in heaven? (1:5)
 - What is the agent of bringing this hope into the world? The Gospel!

The Heart of the Gospel

- Read 1:9-14
- What is the dominion of darkness (1:13)?
- What is the kingdom of His Son?
- What does Jesus do for us? See also 1:21-23