

## IS JESUS CHRIST ENOUGH? (Colossians 1:19)

### A. The FALSE TEACHING at Colossae

1. Satan seeks to thwart the unsaved from believing \_\_\_\_\_ to be saved and the saved from continuing to believe it to bear fruit. (Luke 8:11-15)
  - *What does Satan especially seek to corrupt and oppose? (2 Cor. 4:3-7; 11:3-4, 13-15)*
  - *What is this message? (Rom. 1:16; 1 Cor. 15:1-11)*
2. The false teaching at Colossae denied Jesus Christ's \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ by mixing different first-century legalistic, ascetic, and mystical religious beliefs and philosophies.
3. God gave this inspired epistle to counteract not only the false teaching current at Colossae but also the satanic teaching of \_\_\_\_\_ that became popular in the second and third centuries.
  - a) The Gnostics taught that \_\_\_\_\_ is evil and was created by a multitude of angelic emanations between God and man.
  - b) The Gnostics taught that \_\_\_\_\_ is spirit and personally removed from creation.
  - c) The Gnostics taught that there are good and evil \_\_\_\_\_ and that the good angels are mediators to God who can break through and deliver mankind.
  - d) The Gnostics taught that \_\_\_\_\_ is a powerful, good, and intelligent created being (an aeon or angel), who does not possess a physical body and cannot save by Himself.
  - e) The Gnostics taught that the \_\_\_\_\_ (*plērōma*) of divine, written \_\_\_\_\_ was not contained in the Old and New Testaments but in their esoteric teachings and extra-biblical writings.
    - *How does Colossians answer all this? (1:13-19; 2:9-10)*

## B. The Fullness of Christ's HUMANITY (1:19; 2:9)

1. The epistle of Colossians teaches that Jesus Christ was fully \_\_\_\_\_. (1:14, 20, 22; 2:9)
2. The genuine humanity of Jesus Christ is seen elsewhere in Scripture by His \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ responses (Matt. 4:2; Mark 4:38; John 4:6; 11:35; 19:28; Heb. 4:15-16).
  - *Why is Christ's humanity so important? (Heb. 2:9; 1 Tim. 2:3-6)*

## C. The Fullness of Christ's DEITY (1:19; 2:9)

1. Jesus Christ is called \_\_\_\_\_ in several verses. (John 1:1; 20:28; Rom. 9:5; Titus 2:13; 2 Peter 1:1)
2. Jesus Christ's deity is \_\_\_\_\_ in many ways, including:
  - a) the \_\_\_\_\_ He receives through prayer, singing, worship, and glory which belong only to God. (Matt. 4:8-10; 14:28-33; 28:16-17; John 5:19-23; 1 Cor. 1:1-2; Heb. 1:5-6; Rev. 5:9-13)
  - b) the \_\_\_\_\_ He inherently possesses which are God's. (Matt. 28:20; John 21:17; Acts 13:14; Rom. 8:38-39; Heb. 13:8; 1 John 2:1; 5:20; Rev. 1:8; 19:15-16)
  - c) the \_\_\_\_\_ He is given which are God's. (Isa. 7:14; 9:6; 10:21; John 8:58; Joel 2:32 cf. Acts 2:21; Rom. 10:9-13)
  - d) the \_\_\_\_\_ He does which only God can do. (Gen. 1:1; John 1:3, 10; 1 Cor. 8:6; Col. 1:16; Heb. 1:2; Col. 1:17; Heb. 1:3; Mark 2:5-11; Isa. 45:21-22; Heb. 13:4; Titus 1:3-4; 2:13; 3:6; John 5:22-23)
  - e) the \_\_\_\_\_ of God's throne He shares with the Father. (Ps. 110:1; Dan. 7:13-14; Mark 14:62-64; Heb. 1:3-6; 8:1; 12:2; 1 Peter 3:21)
  - *Why is Christ's deity so important? (John 8:24)*
  - *Is Jesus Christ enough to you?*