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Baptist Church

Colossians 2020

“Building a Strong Foundation” Growth Group Study Guide

Week 3

Colossians 1: 24 - 2: 5

Discovering Your Purpose

Wk 1	02 Feb	Col 1: 1 - 14	<i>Praying Like Paul</i>
Wk 2	09 Feb	Col 1: 15 - 23	<i>The Supreme Question</i>
Wk 3	16 Feb	Col 1: 24 - 2:5	<i>Discovering Your Purpose</i>
Wk 4	01 Mar	Col 2: 6 - 15	<i>Deepening Your Roots</i>
Wk 5	08 Mar	Col 2: 16 - 23	<i>Pulling Out Weeds</i>
Wk 6	15 Mar	Col 3: 1 - 11	<i>Breaking Free From the Past</i>
Wk 7	22 Mar	Col 3: 12 - 17	<i>Hand Me Downs</i>
Wk 8	29 Mar	Col 3: 18 - 4: 1	<i>Making Relationships Work</i>
Wk 9	05 Apr	Col 4: 2 - 6	<i>Knowing What to Pray For</i>
Wk 10	19 Apr	Col 4: 7 - 18	<i>Why We Need Each Other</i>

Q.1 Reflecting on the first two weeks of this study, what do you think God is saying to you?

Read Colossians 1: 24–2: 5

Q.2 (v.24) How did Paul view his sufferings? How can we have a similar attitude?

Q.3 (v.25) What does Paul mean by being a *servant* (or *minister* (ESV))? What does that mean for us?

Q.4 (v.26-27) What does Paul mean by “*mystery*?” In what sense is the gospel a *mystery*? Is it difficult or impossible to understand?


Q.5 (v.28) What is Paul’s passionate plea in v.28?

Q.6 (v.28) Define “*admonish*” (or “*warning*” in ESV)? How do we practice that today? What are the challenges in admonishment?

Q.7 (V.29) What does this verse teach us about our priorities? Where do we get our “*energy*” from?

Q.8 (2: 1-2) What did Paul want the Colossians and Laodiceans (and us) to know? What was his goal?

Q.9 (v. 2-3) Is a church united simply because they have a loving attitude toward one another? Is a church united simply because they have an understanding and knowledge of God’s Word? What should we learn about unity from this passage?



Q.10 (v.3) What treasures are hidden in Christ? What does this tell us about where we should go to obtain these treasures?

Q.11 (v.3) If all of these treasures are hidden in Christ, what does this tell us about the nature of Christ?

Q.12 (v.4) What did Paul hope that wisdom, knowledge, and understanding would accomplish for the Colossians according to v.4? How does this emphasize the importance of good spiritual teaching?

Q.13 (v.4) How can we be deceived, according to Paul?

Q.14 How can we pray for each other this week?
