

Introduction:

Today we begin our study of the Prison Epistles by, *Introducing Colossians*.

Things we will look at in this lesson: Introduction to the Prison Epistles, Introduction to Colossians and Philemon, Paul's Letter to the Colossians.

Introduction to the Prison Epistles:

01. When were the prison epistles written?

02. On what basis has the issue of who wrote the four prison epistles been argued?

03. What was Paul unable to do that led him to write the prison epistles?

04. Besides his concern for the truth of the gospel and its progress and extension, what else was a hallmark of the prison epistles?

05. What was the driving force behind the prison epistles?

06. What is Paul's message in the prison epistles?

Introduction to Colossians and Philemon:

07. What concerned Paul deeply enough to write to the congregation at Colossae?

08. What does Paul ask Philemon to demonstrate for Onesimus?

Paul's Letter to the Colossians:

09. Paul wrote the letter to the Colossians to emphasize what principle?

10. When was the Colossians church most likely planted?

11. Who was likely the one to plant the church in Colossae?

12. Based on the information in Colossians, what two things seem to have intermingled?

13. What characterized the lives of the people in the church at Colossae?
