



COLOSSIANS 1:3-8

Review

Introduction

- *Who and When?* Colossians helps us see what we need to care most about and why.
- *Where and Why?* Colossians helps us discern what kinds of teaching are dangerous to entertain and why.
- *What and How?* Colossians makes it clear that Jesus is what matters most and how.



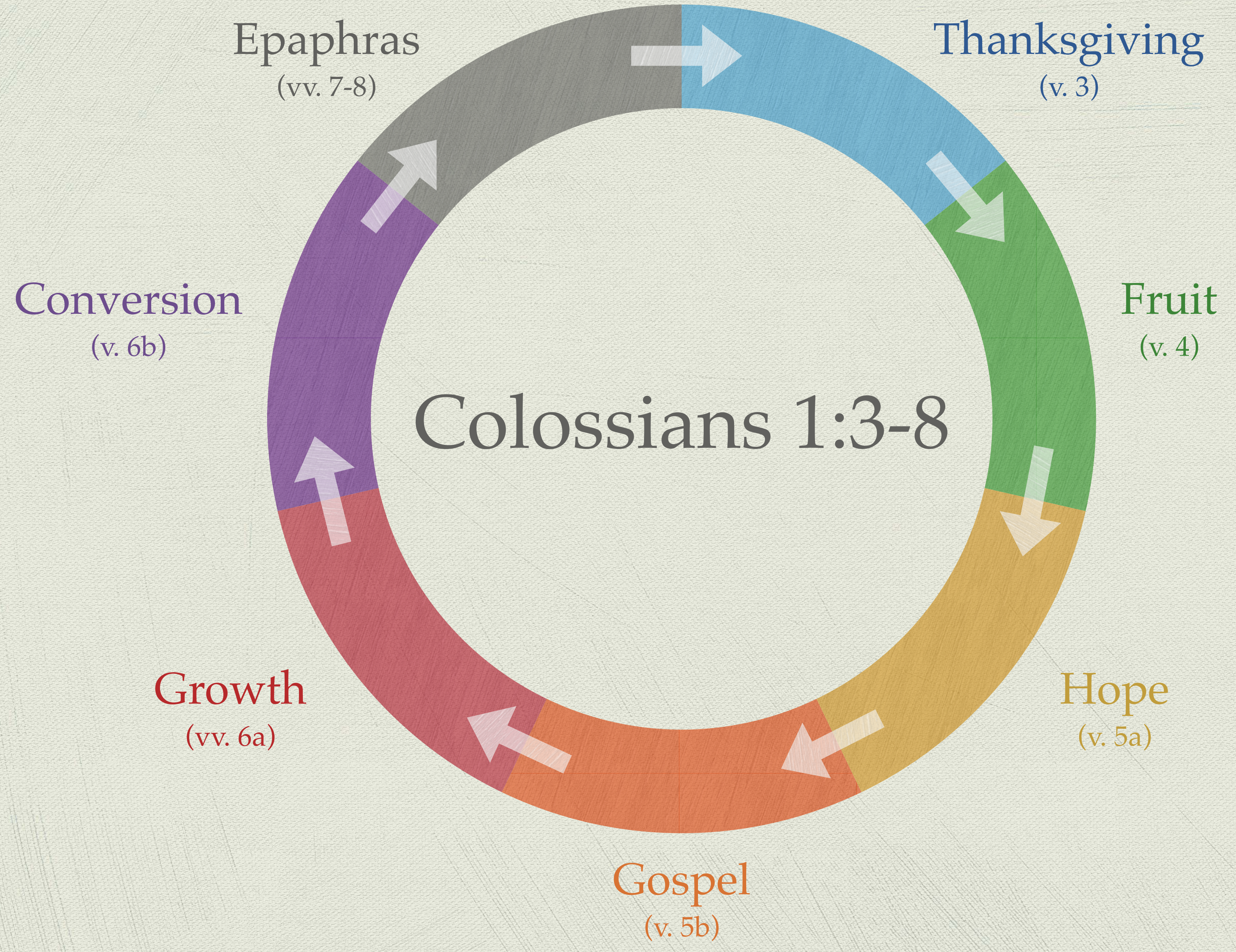
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Colossians 1:1-2

- *Sender:* An Apostle and Brother Appointed by Christ
- *Recipient:* A Holy and Faithful Family Forged in Christ
- *Salutation:* A Request for Grace and Peace from the Father of Christ



<p>1:1-2 The Supremacy of Christ in <u>Preparation</u></p>	<p>1:3 - 2:5 The Supremacy of Christ in <u>Principle</u></p>	<p>2:6 - 4:6 The Supremacy of Christ in <u>Practice</u></p>	<p>4:7-18 The Supremacy of Christ in <u>Pattern</u></p>
<p>1:1 <i>Sender:</i> An Apostle and Brother Appointed by Christ</p> <p>1:2a <i>Recipient:</i> A Holy and Faithful Family Forged in Christ</p> <p>1:2b <i>Salutation:</i> A Request for Grace and Peace from the Father of Christ</p>	<p>1:3-8 <i>What Matters:</i> The Gospel of Jesus Christ</p> <p>1:9-23 <i>Why It Matters:</i> The Supremacy of Jesus Christ</p> <p>1:24 - 2:5 <i>How We Know It Matters:</i> The Minister of Jesus Christ</p>	<p>2:6-15 (A) Put on the Doctrine of Christ</p> <p>2:16-23 (B) Put off the Doctrine of the World</p> <p>3:1-4 (C) Pursue Christ, not the World</p> <p>3:5-11 (B') Put off the Deeds of the World</p> <p>3:12 - 4:6 (A') Put on the Deeds of Christ</p>	<p>4:7-9 Ambassadors for Christ</p> <p>4:10-14 Sufferers for Christ</p> <p>4:15-17 Neighbors for Christ</p> <p>4:18 Paul for Christ</p>



Colossians 1:3-8

Paul and Timothy are shared the fruit of the gospel (vv. 3-4)

Colossians hear the hope of the gospel (v. 5)

The world experiences the impact of the gospel (v. 6a)

Colossians hear the grace of the gospel (v. 6b)

Epaphras shares the fruit of the gospel (vv. 7-8)

What Matters: The Gospel of Jesus Christ (1:3-8)

Five reasons the gospel is for real and therefore matters...

1. Lives are categorically changed through the gospel (vv. 3-4)
2. Hope is completely sure in the gospel (v. 5)
3. The world is comprehensively affected by the gospel (v. 6a)
4. Change is constantly permanent with the gospel (v. 6b)
5. The message is carefully authenticated for the gospel (vv. 7-8)



Take Home

Takeaway

Take a moment each day to thank God for the gospel for your own life as well as for the lives of others.

Next week's Passage

Colossians 1:9-14

Study Question

In Colossians 1:9, what does it mean to be filled with the full knowledge of God's will? How can you be sure that's what it means? What practical implications might that mean for our daily lives?