

Above All: Love For The Church
Colossians 2:1-5
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I. Paul's _____ for the _____.

A. Paul _____ for the church.

B. _____ what Jesus _____.

Ephesians 5:25

C. _____ the church. (Practically)

1. _____ to love the church because you love Christ.

2. _____ will _____; be quick to make
amends and forgive.

2 Timothy 4:16

Ephesians 4:32

3. _____ on _____.

2 Timothy 4:17-18

1 Corinthians 15:58

II. _____.

A. _____ and _____ are closely connected.

Revelation 2:23

B. _____ informs the _____.

2 Corinthians 4:8-9

III. _____ in love.

A. Unified in _____.

B. The greatest testimony the church can display to the world:

_____.

John 13:34-35

C. To be loving is to be _____.

IV. _____ on Christ.

A. Riches in Christ is an overflow of _____.

1. _____.

2. _____.

B. Knowing Christ brings _____ and _____.

Proverbs 2:1-8

C. Prepares us for the delusion of _____.

Philippians 1:21-24

D. We _____ in the faith.

This Week's Songs:

Jesus Saves

May The Peoples Praise You

All Creatures of Our God and King

Man of Sorrows

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Small Group Questions
From: Colossians & Philemon,
by John MacArthur

*You do NOT have to answer or discuss every question. Feel free to just pick a few. These are meant to guide you in truth. If you are having trouble answering a question, ask your small group leader to help you. They are committed to helping you develop as an authentic follower of Christ.

The COMMUNITY:

1. Identify several different religious or philosophical systems held by people you know.

Into the WORD/APPLICATION:

Here are some suggested sites in order to dive deeper into God's Word: blueletterbible.org, desiringgod.org/articles/all, biblos.com, ccel.org, logos.com, connect.ligonier.org, thegospelcoalition.org/channel/bible-and-theology.

1. Read Colossians 2:1-5 and answer the following questions.
 - a. In verses 1-5, Paul revealed a window into his motivations and hopes. What drove him? Why was he so willing to struggle in ministry to the Colossians?

- b. What do you learn from this short passage regarding Paul's attitude and life about caring for others and serving them with all your heart?

- c. What does Paul mean when he says, "deceive you with persuasive words"?

- d. How can you grow in your ability to spot theological error?