



# LIFEGROUPS STUDY GUIDE

*"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42*

SERIES:  
Colossians

MESSAGE TITLE:  
Introduction to Colossians

MESSAGE DATE:  
08/04/2024

## MESSAGE SUMMARY:

Pastor Matt introduces the book of Colossians and outlines the main themes of the sermon, emphasizing walking in our new identity in Christ and embracing God's purpose for our lives. He discusses the historical context of the church in Colossae and the importance of living out our identity as consecrated ones. Pastor Matt addresses the heresy spreading in the church, emphasizing the sufficiency of Jesus for salvation. He encourages the congregation to choose holy living, pray for grace and peace, and invites them to continue exploring Colossians in the upcoming sermons.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1.) How can we fully embrace our new identity in Christ and live according to God's truth?

| *Pastor Matt emphasized the importance of choosing to walk in our new identity as followers of Christ.*

| *What are some practical ways you can live out your new identity in Christ on a daily basis?*

2.) How can we discover God's specific purpose for our lives and live it out with passion and conviction?

| *Pastor Matt highlighted that God has a plan and purpose for each individual's life.*

| *Is there a specific area of your life where you feel God might be calling you to serve or use your gifts?*

3.) Why is it important for our identity to be based on our relationship with Christ rather than worldly achievements or possessions?

| *Matt discussed the church in Colossae and their identity rooted in Christ, not on their valuables or achievements.*

| *Do you find it difficult to separate your identity from your accomplishments? How can you remind yourself that your true value comes from Christ?*



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4.) Why is it essential to understand and believe that Jesus alone is sufficient for our salvation?

*Pastor Matt addressed the heresy spreading through the Colossians church, suggesting that salvation required Jesus plus something else.*

*How can we guard our hearts and minds from false teachings and maintain our focus on Jesus as our sole source of salvation?*

5.) What does it mean to pursue holy living and how can we strive towards this in our lives?

*Pastor Matt encouraged the congregation to live up to their identity as saints, or consecrated ones, set apart for God's purposes.*

*In what areas of your life do you struggle with holiness, and how can you depend on Christ to help you overcome those challenges?*