



1. Who is the writer and/or speaker ?
2. When was it written and/or said ?
3. To whom was it written and/or spoken ?
4. What are the major natural divisions ?
5. What is the repeated key word ?
6. What simple sentence sums it all up ?
7. What is an application to my life today ?

**Study questions for Colossians 1:1-8**

*(Remember to find the answers in the verses under consideration !)*

- V 1 If men appoint elders and deacons (Ac 14:23, Titus 1:5, Ac 6:3 & 1 Tim 3:10), who appointed Paul to be a missionary (apostle = sent one in Greek) ?
- V 2 The words "holy" and "believing" brothers are adjectives, not nouns. Therefore these are NOT different classes of Christians ; on the contrary, all true believers are "saints". To whom is this letter addressed, believing men or women ? (cf. Phil 1:1)
- V 3 To set the stage for this message to men, Paul reminds us of the relationship between God the Father and God the Son. How does Paul start his prayers ?
- V 4 For What two reasons does Paul thank God ?
- V 5 Where did the Colossians get their faith and love ? Was it from EARTHLY sources ?
- V 6 When did they begin this fruitful life ? Notice there are two prerequisites before we can become true believers ; they both prove that Christian faith is not the opposite of reason.
- V 7-8 What person did God use to bring the Colossians to trust Christ enough to ask Him for salvation ? What person was following up their progress ? Was it the SAME person ?