

ENGAGE THE WORD
SERIES
“True Security”

Colossians 1

Text. 1: 22 - 23

Simple Question

- **How can we keep from drifting away from our faith?**
- **Simple Answer: Continue in your faith.**
 - **Be Holy and free... “If you continue in your faith, established and firm, not moved from the hope in the gospel” Col. 1:22-23**
- **What have you learned in the 40 Days of Engagement?**

A Simple Story

Christ follower worked on the immense telescopes used in astrological observatories. Called for repairs.

At lunch, Chief Astronomer found him reading his bible. What good expect from this? Bible is outdated. We aren't even sure who wrote it.

Thot. Don't you make use of the principles of multiplication in your work? Yes. Do you know who wrote them?

No. Then if you don't know the author, how do you know they can be trusted? They work! Exactly!!!

Have you found the word works?

What are Real Believers Like?

- Thank God for you when speaking of you.
- Known to be a people:
 - With a great faith in Christ.
 - With a clear love for other believers.
- Faith and Love spring from Heaven's Hope.
- The gospel is growing and bearing fruit.
- Because of your open teachable spirit :
 - Fill them with KNOWLEDGE of your will.
 - Translate this knowledge thru spiritual wisdom and understanding. Col.1:3 - 9

- **Believers are like a stove converted from gas to electric. Tech had to come back next day to adjust it. Note: “Converted but not adjusted.”**
- **Prayer Goal: Ability to live a life worthy of God, able to please him**
- **How will I know if I please him?**
 - **Bear fruit in every good work**
 - **Growth in knowledge of God**
 - **Spiritual strength expressed in great endurance and patience**
 - **Joyful thanks to the Father**
- **We are rescued ones, redeemed and forgiven. Col. 1: 9-13**

What is Jesus Like?

- Image of God, Creator of all things: (SEEN) physical and relational and (UNSEEN) spiritual and beyond our sight.
- Pre-existent, the sustaining force in all things. (Higgs boson – God’s particle)
- He is universal holy glue.
- He is the head of our church; he is the first to be resurrected. He is sovereign in all things.
- He is fully God; reconciling all things tainted and twisted by sin – even the very earth we live on – by his blood.

What Does All This Mean to Me?

- **Once I was or currently I am, an enemy of Christ.**
 - In my mind; my thought life.
 - In my behavior; in my actions.
- **Now reconciled by the power of Jesus, I can be made holy.**
 - New and a different focus in my thinking.
 - New and different pattern in my behavior.
- **In this daily relationship I am secure, established, firm, not moved from hope.**
- **The good news so grips me I am a servant!**

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- **Go on! Fall not! Receive the rich Welcome “Well done good and faithful servant!”**