



Begins in Gratitude

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Message Notes

Paul was grateful for the reputation of the church in Colossae.

Build a Reputation

- Faith
- Love

The GOSPEL is where FAITH and LOVE meet.

A Godly reputation is established by setting a course for a FUTURE HOPE.

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 1:1-8; John 16:19-24; John 13:34-35; Romans 10:14-18; Isaiah 52:7

Discussion Guide

ENGAGE

1. Share about a time when what you knew about someone by reputation proved entirely inaccurate.
2. Read Colossians 1:1-8. Who wrote this letter? To whom was it written?
3. What were the characteristics of the church in Colossae for which Paul was grateful? (v.4)
4. Using clues from this first passage form a definition for "the true message of the gospel." (v.5)
5. How does the gospel bear fruit? (v.6)
6. What does it mean to "love in the Spirit?" (v.8)
7. What steps can you take to cultivate a reputation for faith and love?

APPLY

- For whom are you grateful for today? Create a list of qualities that describe the character of that person and write an encouraging note or card that expresses your gratefulness. And, most importantly, deliver or send that card today.

PRAY