



CHRIST, THE ONE WHO IS OUR HOPE OF GLORY”

Series: “CHRIST, THE ONE”, Part 3 of 10

Sunday, September 19, 2021 at 9:00 and 11:00 AM

Text: Colossians 1:24-29, 2:1-5

Big Idea: Christ in us is our hope of glory.

*Colossians 1:27, “To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is **Christ in you, the hope of glory.**”*

1. HE BRINGS GLORY THROUGH SUFFERING.

Colossians 1:24, Now I rejoice in what was suffered for you, and I fill up in my flesh what is still lacking in regard to Christ’s afflictions, for the sake of his body, which is the church.

Matthew 5:11-12a, “Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven...”

Colossians 1:25, “I have become its servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the word of God in its fullness—”

2 Corinthians 11:24-28, “Five times I received from the Jews the forty lashes minus one. ²⁵Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, I spent a night and a day in the open sea, ²⁶I have been constantly on the move. I have been in danger from rivers, in danger from bandits, in danger from my own countrymen, in danger from Gentiles; in danger in the city, in danger in the country, in danger at sea; and in danger from false brothers. ²⁷I have labored and toiled and have often gone without sleep; I have known hunger and thirst and have often gone without food; I have been cold and naked. ²⁸Besides everything else, I face daily the pressure of my concern for all the churches.”

2. HE BRINGS GLORY THROUGH OUR SERVICE AND WITNESS FOR CHRIST.

Colossians 1:28-29, "We proclaim him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ. ²⁹To this end I labor, struggling with all his energy, which so powerfully works in me."

3. HE BRINGS GLORY AS WE CHAMPION TRUTH AND REJECT LIES.

Colossians 2:2-4, "My purpose is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ, ³in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. ⁴I tell you this so that no one may deceive you by fine-sounding arguments."

4. HE BRINGS GLORY AS WE STAND FIRM IN SPITE OF HOW WE FEEL.

Colossians 2:5, For though I am absent from you in body, I am present with you in spirit and delight to see how orderly you are and how firm your faith in Christ is.

1 Corinthians 15:58, Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.