

A Gospel-Driven Thanksgiving

(Colossians 1:1-8; S. Terry at CFC; Sunday Morning 11/20/16)

Theme: We thank God our Father for our Lord Jesus Christ, for the Faith and Love He has given to our fellow saints, for the sure Hope of eternal life, and for the Holy Spirit who brings Kingdom Increase from our faithful teaching of the Gospel.

I. Setting the table for Thanksgiving (Col.1:1-2)

- A. Paul's Thankful View of himself (v.1)

- B. Paul's Thankful View of the saints (v.2a)

- C. Paul's Thankful View of his message (v.2b)

II. Praying with Thanksgiving for Gospel Fruit (Col.1:3-5)

- A. Thanking God for Christ's Church (v.3)

- B. Thanking God for Faith and Love in Christ (v.4)

- C. Thanking God for the Hope of the Gospel (v.5)

III. Spreading the Gospel Feast (Col.1:6-8)

- A. The Gospel brings God's World-Wide Increase (v.6a)

- B. The Gospel is a Word to be Heard and Understood (v.6b)

- C. The Gospel is taught by Faithful Servants (v.7-8)