



# HEALTHY CHURCH OUR ONLY HOPE

Colossians 1:1-5

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**1. Decide** \_\_\_\_\_  
(v.5)

## ***Colossians 1:1-5***

*1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, 2 To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. 3 We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, 4 since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, 5 because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel,*  
(ESV)

**2. Trust** \_\_\_\_\_  
(vv.3-4a, 5b)

**3. Let** \_\_\_\_\_  
(v.4b)

# Application Questions

*These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others. For more information about LifeGroups at Compass Bible Church that utilize these questions as the basis for their weekly discussion, please visit [compasshillcountry.org/lifegroups](http://compasshillcountry.org/lifegroups) or email us at [info@compasshillcountry.org](mailto:info@compasshillcountry.org).*

1. Read 1 Peter 1:3–5 and 1 Corinthians 15:12–19. After considering these two passages where do you truly find your hope located? What are the personal evidential fruits of having your hope laid up in heaven verses the fruits of having your hope stored up here on Earth?
2. Read 2 Corinthians 5:17–19 and Hebrews 6:17-20. What are some unbiblical views of the means of hope that exist in our world? How do these scriptures articulate both the means of our hope and the sufficiency of our hope in Christ?
3. Read Titus 2:11–14 and Ephesians 1:13–16. According to these scriptures why does being self-giving and self-sacrificial to brothers and sisters in Christ (AKA God's church) make sense in a world that is all about storing up treasure on Earth?
4. What are a few tangible examples of ways you can help establish a healthy church through your steadfast faith in Christ and self-giving love for the church of God?

*This Week's  
Bible Reading Schedule*

**September 12<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.21-22 & 2Cor.4*

**September 13<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.23-24 & 2Cor.5*

**September 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.25-27 & 2Cor.6*

**September 15<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.28-29 & 2Cor.7*

**September 16<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.30-31 & 2Cor.8*

**September 17<sup>th</sup>**

*Ecc.1-3 & 2Cor.9*

**September 18<sup>th</sup>**

*Ecc.4-6 & 2Cor.10*

**September 19<sup>th</sup>**

*Ecc.7-9 & 2Cor.11:1-15*