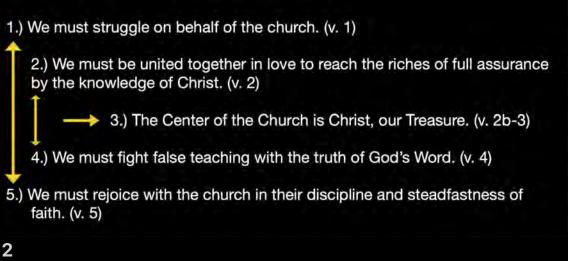
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- 1 & 5 Paul's Concern for the Colossians. He's struggling for them (v. 1), He's rejoicing for them. (v. 5)
- 2 & 4 Paul's commission: Paul is hoping for these responses by the Colossians. They would be united in love. (v. 2), They would fight against false teachers. (v. 4)
- 3 Paul's message: How it really happens. Jesus, our Treasure.

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Colossians 2:1

[1] For I want you to know how great a struggle I have for you and for those at Laodicea and for all who have not seen me face to face,

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5 Ways to Strengthen the Hearts of the Members of the Church

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Struggle/Agonize for the church by:

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Revelation: 14:17-20

[17] Then another angel came out of the temple in heaven, and he too had a sharp sickle. [18] And another angel came out from the altar, the angel who has authority over the fire, and he called with a loud voice to the one who had the sharp sickle, "Put in your sickle and gather the clusters from the vine of the earth, for its grapes are ripe."

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Revelation: 14:17-20

[19] So the angel swung his sickle across the earth and gathered the grape harvest of the earth and threw it into the great winepress of the wrath of God. [20] And the winepress was trodden outside the city, and blood flowed from the winepress, as high as a horse's bridle, for 1,600 stadia.

Revelation: 19:11-16

11 Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. 12 His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. 13 He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God.

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Revelation: 19:11-16

14 And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. 15 From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. 16 On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

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Colossians 4:12

[12] Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ Jesus, greets you, always struggling on your behalf in his prayers, that you may stand mature and fully assured in all the will of God.

Colossians 2:2

[2] that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery,

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1 Corinthians 13:1-3

[1] If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. [2] And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. [3] If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

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Colossian 2:2b-3

[2b] God's mystery, which is Christ, [3] in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

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1 Corinthians 1:18

[18] For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Matthew 13:44

[44] "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

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<u>Psalm 16:11</u> - You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Psalm 21:6 - For you make him most blessed forever; you make him glad with the joy of your presence.

Psalm 84:10 - For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

Colossians 2:4

[4] I say this in order that no one may delude you with plausible arguments.

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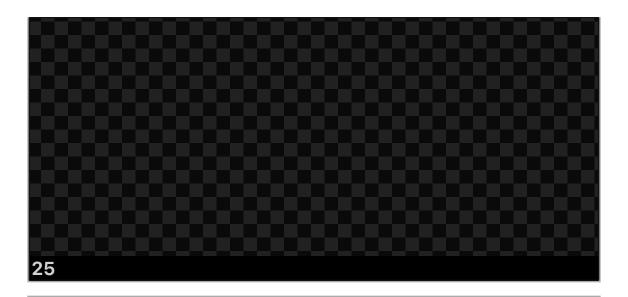
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[5] For though I am absent in body, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your good order and the firmness of your faith in Christ.

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