

Colossians. Structure

(based on one by Mr. C.H.Welch. AA #1)

A 1:1,2. Salutation.

B 1:3-8. Faithful ministry. Epaphras. Word of truth heard. Faith, Hope, Love

C a 1:9-12. Prayer for spiritual walk. Made worthy of inheritance, longsuffering.
b 1:13-22. Christ before all. In Him all consist. 3fold presentation. Love, Faith

D 1:23-27. The (hidden) MYSTERY, manifested, Paul's suff's, God's will. Faith 1:23, Hope 1:23, 1:27

E 1:28-2:1. Preaching to present PERFECT, mature, knit together.

F 2:2,3. HID. Treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Love 2:2,

G 2:4-23. WATCH OUT. Warnings and Defenses.

1. 2:4-7. BEGUILE. 2:4 (with persuasive speech) = to reason aside, to argue falsely.

Antidote. 2:6-7 Steadfastness faith, walk, rooted established faith, thanks.

2. 2:8-13 BEWARE. 2:8, Spoil (rob, take as prey, captive)

Vain deceitful philosophy, elements, not after Christ

Antidote. 2:9 In Christ all the fullness.

2:10-13 Complete in Him, Circumcision, baptism, quick'd, forgiven.

3. 2:17-14 JUDGMENT 2:16 Food, drink, Israel's things

Antidote. 2:14-17 Ordinances nailed to cross, Rules and authorities stripped,
Shadows BUT the Body is of Christ

4. 2:18-19. DEFRAUD. 2:18 imposed humility, worship'g angels, vanity; mind of flesh

Antidote. 2:19 Hold the Head, nourishment, knit together, increase in know'ge

5. 2:20-23. WHY. 2:20 Subject to Ordinances, touch not taste not

2:22 unto corruption, wasting away. Mission and teachings of men

2:23 external appearance of wisdom, false humility, abuse of body,
no effectiveness against fleshly indulgence

Antidote 2:20 Dead with Christ from these things

F 3:1-4. HID. Your life, with Christ.

C b 3:5-15. Christ is all and in all. Called in one body, longsuffering. Love 3:14

a 3:16-4:1. Indwelling word, spiritual walk. Reward of inheritance.

D 4:2-11. The (hidden)MYSTERY, manifested by Paul, bondage, open door.

E 4:12,13. Prayer to stand PERFECT, mature, will of God.

B 4:14-17. Public ministry. Archippus. Epistle to be read.

A 4:18. Salutation.