



PAULINE
Epistles

**Welcome to a New Study on
Paul's Minor Epistles**

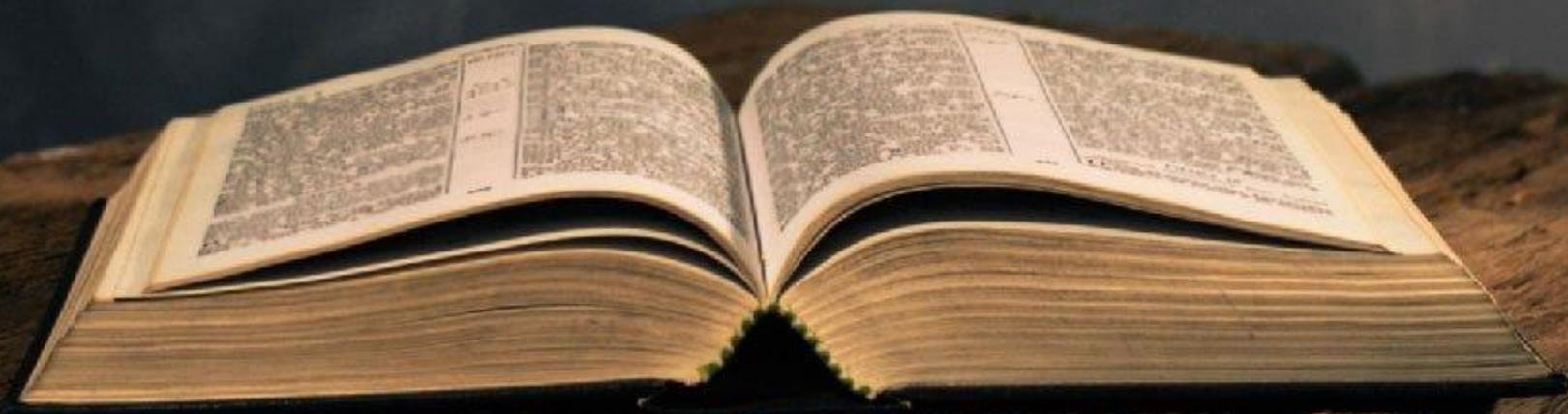
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Schedule of Books in the Study:

- Galatians
- Ephesians
- Philippians
- **Colossians**
- 1 Thessalonians

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- 1 Timothy
- 2 Timothy
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- Philemon

Colossians



Breakdown of the Letter

- ▶ Declaration of Christ's Control – Chapter 1
 - ▶ Control over Colossae (vv. 1 – 14)

John 15:1 – 2 (ESV)

1 “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. 2 Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit.

Ephesians 6:12 – 13 (ESV)

12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.

Acts 8:12 (ESV)

12 But when they believed Philip as he preached good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

2 Peter 1:11 (ESV)

11 For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

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The Deity of Jesus:

- ▶ John 1:1 – 4 (ESV) (1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. 4 In him was life, and the life was the light of men.)
- ▶ John 1:14 (ESV) (14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.)
- ▶ John 17:5 (ESV) (5 And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.)
- ▶ John 8:58 (ESV) (8 Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.”)
- ▶ Exodus 3:13 – 14 (ESV) (13 Then Moses said to God, “If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” 14 God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘I AM has sent me to you.’”)

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- ▶ **Matthew 3:16 – 17 (ESV)** (16 And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; 17 and behold, a voice from heaven said, **“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”**)
- ▶ **Matthew 17:5 (ESV)** (5 He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, **“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”**)

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