



LIVING FOR CHRIST :: CHRIST LIVING IN US

*How Christ Works Through Us*  
Extended Notes for May 17, 2015

**Life Questions:**

*What has God done to/for me? / What is God doing in me? / What does God want to do through me?*

**What are you living FROM?**

**The Foundation of the vision of CCCov is our union and communion with God through Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit.**

**We live *for* Christ *from* our union *with* Christ.**

**Fruit-producing Christians \_\_\_\_\_ a “BIG” Jesus.**

READ Colossians 1:15-20

READ Colossians 1:21-23

**Fruit-producing Christians \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus’ “BIG” goals for people.**

**Fruit-producing Christians \_\_\_\_\_ as a “little Jesus” in order to help others experience the “Big Jesus”.**

READ Col. 1:24-27

**Paul’s Life Motto: *What I have received I want to pass on to you. So, I joyfully put myself at sacrificial risk & disadvantage in order to do so.***

*“Paul’s Christian life is wrapped up in taking care of others, helping them to grow in Christ, and providing them with a godly example to imitate. Insofar as he fulfills this function in life, that to which Paul believes he is called, Paul is at ease with himself. He does not waste time worrying about his own spiritual welfare. His actions are self-forgetful and sacrificial.” – Ben Witherington, NT scholar*

READ Col. 1:28-29

**Fruit-producing Christians \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ between Christ and those who have not heard by the explosive \_\_\_\_\_ that only a “big” Jesus can fill.**

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### **Questions for Reflection:**

1. How can Paul say that he fills up what is lacking in Christ's life, death & resurrection? What does he mean?
2. Why does Paul write in so much detail about a "big" picture of Jesus? Why is this important? How can you develop a "bigger" Jesus in your life?
3. How is God calling you to "present" the sacrificial life of Jesus to?