

Goldstone Church

Small Group Questions

Colossians 1:1-2

Review

- Imagine yourself as one of the Christians crowded into a home to listen to this unexpected letter from the Apostle Paul. What emotions would you feel while you're waiting for others to arrive?
- How does it make you feel when a friend tells you the specific thing he or she notices and appreciates about you?
- What is your motivation for learning more about Jesus Christ? Has your motivation for learning changed over the years? Why?

Remind

- What title does Paul give himself as he starts the letter (v.1a)?
- To support his claim to this title, who does Paul say appointed him (v.1b)?
- Who is also listed as sending this letter (v.1c)? See also 1 Corinthians 16:10-11 and Philippians 2:19-23.
- How does Paul describe the people in Colossae (v.2a)?
- How is Paul's opening greeting different from, say, a 'Good Luck' card (v.2b)?

Respond

- What impresses you about the Colossian Christians?
- Paul is writing to the Colossians so that they should grow into full Christian maturity. What does the phrase 'full Christian maturity' mean to you?
- What characteristics are you hoping to develop in your Christian life during this year?
- You could end by reading again Colossians 1:1-2