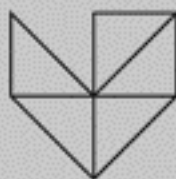


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BIBLE CURRICULUM

Walking With God and His People

Grade 6 Test Bank



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Unit 1: Colossians

UNIT 1 STUDY GUIDE

Colossians

NAME _____

Lesson 1: Setting

1. List three ways in which Paul compliments or encourages the Colossians. _____

2. List four prayer petitions Paul makes concerning the Colossians. _____

3. When did Paul write the letter to the Colossians? _____

Lesson 2: Paul's Ministry

4. Read Matthew 5:20. What words in this passage describe Paul before his relationship with Christ?

5. Read Romans 12:3. What is Paul's message to the Romans and to every student? _____

6. Read Acts 9:3–5. What brought Paul to his knees? _____

7. Read Acts 28:30–31. How was Paul's life affected by his acceptance of a personal relationship to God? _____

8. Read Ephesians 2:5. What would our life be like without God? _____

Lesson 3: Characteristics of Christ

9. What alienates people from God? _____

10. How can the Colossians (and you, too) be reconciled (made right) so that you are holy in

God's sight, without blemish, and free from accusation? _____

11. Identify five riches (blessings) you have because of Jesus. _____

Lesson 4: Freedom in Christ

Use the TEST method to evaluate the following messages.

T—Is it t true or trustworthy?

E—Is it e difying to others?

S—Is it s een in God's Word?

T—Is it a t rap? Is it enslaving?

12. Wear only clothes that everyone else is wearing or you will not fit in. _____

13. Rules are in place for your own good. _____

14. It is okay to stretch the truth so that you don't get in trouble. _____

Lesson 5: Living as Christ's Chosen People

15. Read Colossians 3:5. What attitudes and behaviors are listed as belonging to our earthly nature?

16. Read Colossians 3:8. Of what attitudes and behaviors must we rid ourselves? _____

17. Read Colossians 3:13. What does this verse say about forgiveness? _____

Lesson 6: Final Instructions

18. Read Colossians 4:2–5. What are some lessons we can take with us from these verses as they pertain to our relationships with others? _____

19. Read Colossians 4:6. What two characteristics should shape our conversations so that we may know how to answer everyone? _____

UNIT 1 STUDY GUIDE

Answer Key

Lesson 1: Setting

1. List three ways in which Paul compliments or encourages the Colossians. Paul compliments the Colossians' faith in Christ, their love for the saints, and the growth and fruit of their gospel proclamation.
2. List four prayer petitions Paul makes concerning the Colossians. Paul is praying for God to fill the Colossians with knowledge of his will, for the Colossians to live lives worthy of the Lord, for the Colossians to be strengthened with power so they may have endurance and patience, and for the Colossians to give thanks.
3. When did Paul write the letter to the Colossians? He wrote it in A.D. 60.

Lesson 2: Paul's Ministry

4. Read Matthew 5:20. What words in this passage describe Paul before his relationship with Christ? The words Pharisees and teachers of the law best describe Paul and his friends in his earlier life.
5. Read Romans 12:3. What is Paul's message to the Romans and to every student? Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought.
6. Read Acts 9:3–5. What brought Paul to his knees? He heard the voice of the resurrected and ascended Jesus.
7. Read Acts 28:30–31. How was Paul's life affected by his acceptance of a personal relationship to God? He welcomed all those who came to see him, boldly preached the kingdom of God, and taught about Jesus.
8. Read Ephesians 2:5. What would our life be like without God? We would be dead in our transgressions.

Lesson 3: Characteristics of Christ

9. What alienates people from God? Evil behavior alienates us from God.
10. How can the Colossians (and you, too) be reconciled (made right) so that you are holy in God's sight, without blemish, and free from accusation? Jesus Christ's physical body, through his death and resurrection, reconciles us to God.
11. Identify five riches (blessings) you have because of Jesus. Possible answers: hope of eternal life; peace; Jesus being in control of my life, so that I can surrender my concerns to him; my ability to pray and know that Jesus will help me work things out; forgiveness of my sins so that I don't have to carry grudges and can also forgive others; my opportunity to worship and praise the Creator.

Lesson 4: Freedom in Christ

Use the TEST method to evaluate the following messages.

T—Is it t rue or t rustworthy?

E—Is it e difying to others?

S—Is it s een in God's Word?

T—Is it a t rap? Is it e nslaving?

12. Wear only clothes that everyone else is wearing or you will not fit in. T—It is not true. E—It is not edifying to others. S—It is not seen in God's Word. T—It is a trap.

13. Rules are in place for your own good. T—It is true. E—It is edifying to others. S—It is seen in God's Word. T—It is not a trap.

14. It is okay to stretch the truth so that you don't get in trouble. T—It is not true. E—It is not edifying to others. S—It is not seen in God's Word. T—It is a trap.

Lesson 5: Living as Christ's Chosen People

15. Read Colossians 3:5. What attitudes and behaviors are listed as belonging to our earthly nature? Sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires, and greed are all associated with our earthly nature.
16. Read Colossians 3:8. Of what attitudes and behaviors must we rid ourselves? We must rid ourselves of anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language.

17. Read Colossians 3:13. What does this verse say about forgiveness? **Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord has forgiven you.**

Lesson 6: Final Instructions

18. Read Colossians 4:2–5. What are some lessons we can take with us from these verses as they pertain to our relationships with others? **Answers will vary but may include: We are to devote ourselves to prayer, pray that God may open a door for our message, pray that we may proclaim the gospel clearly, be wise in the way we act toward outsiders, and make the most of every opportunity.**
19. Read Colossians 4:6. What two characteristics should shape our conversations so that we may know how to answer everyone? **Our conversations are to be full of grace and seasoned with salt.**

UNIT 1 EVALUATION BANK

Colossians

NAME _____

A. Matching

Match the Bible verse with its summary/description.

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| ___ 1. Colossians 4:2 | a. Pray that I may proclaim the gospel clearly. |
| ___ 2. Colossians 4:3 | b. Let my conversations be full of grace and seasoned with salt. |
| ___ 3. Colossians 4:4 | c. Let me make the most of every opportunity. |
| ___ 4. Colossians 4:5a | d. Help me to know how to answer everyone. |
| ___ 5. Colossians 4:5b | e. Be wise in the way I act toward outsiders. |
| ___ 6. Colossians 4:6a | f. Pray that God may open a door for our message so that we may proclaim the |
| ___ 7. Colossians 4:6b | mystery of Christ. |
| | g. Devote myself to prayer. |

B. Short Answers

1. List three ways in which Paul compliments or encourages the Colossians. _____

2. List four prayer petitions Paul makes concerning the Colossians. _____

3. How was Paul's life affected by his acceptance of a personal relationship to God? _____

4. What alienates people from God? _____

5. How can the Colossians (and you, too) be reconciled (made right) so that you are holy in God's sight, without blemish, and free from accusation? _____

6. Identify five riches (blessings) you have because of Jesus. _____

7. List three attitudes and behaviors the Bible cites as belonging to our earthly nature? _____

8. Read Colossians 3:13. What does the Bible say about forgiveness? _____

C. Personal Response

1. Read Matthew 5:20. How would you define a Pharisee? Give some examples of people or types of people who might be considered modern-day Pharisees. _____

2. Read Romans 12:3. What is Paul's message to the Romans, and why do you think his message is important? _____

3. Write three examples of common messages you have heard. Then use the TEST method to evaluate these messages.

T—Is it t true or trustworthy?

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D. Essay

Describe the setting in which Paul wrote his letter to the Colossians, as well as a summary of its content. Be sure to include when he wrote the letter, why he wrote the letter, how it was delivered, and a summary of the situation in Colosse that caused him to write. _____

“Let the _____ of _____ rule in your _____, since as _____ of one _____ you were called to _____ . And be _____. Let the _____ of _____ among you _____ as you _____ and _____ one _____ with all _____ through _____, _____, and songs from the _____, singing to God with _____ in your _____. And _____ you do, _____ in _____ or _____, do it all in the _____ of the _____, giving _____ to _____ the _____ through him” (Colossians 3:12–17).

UNIT 1 EVALUATION BANK

Answer Key

A. Matching

Match the Bible verse with its summary/description.

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| <u>g</u> 1. Colossians 4:2 | a. Pray that I may proclaim the gospel clearly. |
| <u>f</u> 2. Colossians 4:3 | b. Let my conversations be full of grace and seasoned with salt. |
| <u>a</u> 3. Colossians 4:4 | c. Let me make the most of every opportunity. |
| <u>e</u> 4. Colossians 4:5a | d. Help me to know how to answer everyone. |
| <u>c</u> 5. Colossians 4:5b | e. Be wise in the way I act toward outsiders. |
| <u>b</u> 6. Colossians 4:6a | f. Pray that God may open a door for our message so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ. |
| <u>d</u> 7. Colossians 4:6b | g. Devote myself to prayer. |

B. Short Answers

1. List three ways in which Paul compliments or encourages the Colossians. Paul compliments the Colossians' faith in Christ, their love for the saints, and the growth and fruit of their gospel proclamation.
2. List four prayer petitions Paul makes concerning the Colossians. Paul is praying for God to fill the Colossians with knowledge of his will, for the Colossians to live lives worthy of the Lord, for the Colossians to be strengthened with power so that they may have endurance and patience, and for the Colossians to give thanks.
3. How was Paul's life affected by his acceptance of a personal relationship to God? He welcomed all those who came to see him, boldly preached the kingdom of God, and taught about Jesus.
4. What alienates people from God? Evil behavior alienates us from God.
5. How can the Colossians (and you, too) be reconciled (made right) so that you are holy in God's sight, without blemish, and free from accusation? Jesus Christ's physical body, through his death and resurrection, reconciles us to God.
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7. List three attitudes and behaviors the Bible cites as belonging to our earthly nature? Answers will vary but should include sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires, and greed.
8. Read Colossians 3:13. What does the Bible say about forgiveness? Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord has forgiven you.

C. Personal Response

1. Read Matthew 5:20. How would you define a Pharisee? Give some examples of people or types of people who might be considered modern-day Pharisees. Answers will vary.
2. Read Romans 12:3. What is Paul's message to the Romans, and why do you think his message is important? Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought. Answers to the second question will vary.
3. Write three examples of common messages you have heard. Then use the TEST method to evaluate these messages.
T—Is it true or trustworthy?
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S—Is it seen in God's Word?
T—Is it a trap? Is it enslaving?
Answers will vary.

D. Essay

Describe the setting in which Paul wrote his letter to the Colossians, as well as a summary of its content. Be sure to include when he wrote the letter, why he wrote the letter, how it was delivered, and a summary of the situation in Colosse that caused him to write. Answers will vary but should include some of the following: An unfavorable report from Epaphras, the founder of the church, prompted the letter. Paul responded to Epaphras's concerns while Paul was under house arrest in Rome in A.D. 60. During Paul's three-year ministry in Ephesus, Epaphras had been converted and had carried the gospel to Colosse. The Colossian church had become the target of heretical attack, which had prompted Epaphras's visit to Rome to seek Paul's advice.

Paul wanted to refute the so-called Christian heresy, a false teaching that Paul does not explicitly identify. Paul's letter to the Christians in Colosse and its neighboring cities is warm and encouraging, yet full of instruction and advice. Paul urges his Christian brothers and sisters to carry on the gospel message because though he is physically in chains, the gospel most certainly is not!

Paul wisely speaks of the supremacy of Christ, exalting Christ as the very image of God, the Creator, the pre-existent sustainer of all things, the head of the church, the first to be resurrected, the fullness of deity in bodily form, and the reconciler—completely adequate in and of himself for our salvation.

The theme of the Book of Colossians is the complete adequacy of Christ as contrasted with the emptiness of mere human philosophy. With his positive tone, Paul helps the Christian community in Colosse realize that human responsibility and divine sovereignty go hand in hand.

Tychicus, accompanied by Onesimus, delivered Paul's letter to the church at Colosse.

E. Memory Work

“Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him” (Colossians 3:12–17).