

Text: Colossians 1:3-6a  
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*Seeing Beyond This Life*

part 1



## Colossians 1:3-6a

<sup>3</sup> We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, <sup>4</sup> because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all the saints – <sup>5</sup> the faith and love that spring from the hope that is stored up for you in heaven and that you have already heard about in the word of truth, the gospel <sup>6</sup> that has come to you.

1. Ponder \_\_\_\_\_

2. Boldly \_\_\_\_\_

3. Graciously \_\_\_\_\_

# Application Questions

*These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's message. It is also helpful to discuss your answers with others. This can take place with friends, your family, accountability partners, or ministry groups within the church.*

1. How "shortsighted" would you say you are? In other words, how focused on the short-term ramifications and consequences of life would you say you are?

What are some situations, practices or habits which help you to think of the long-term (and *really* long-term) ramifications of your daily life?

2. As best you can (based on your knowledge of what the Bible teaches) describe something of what your life will be like two thousand years from now.

What does thinking ahead that far do to your perspective on what is going on in your life right now?

3. Describe a situation in which it is difficult for you to obey Christ.

How does a "big perspective" help you to trust in Christ's leadership in areas like that?

4. Think of a Christian who is hard for you to genuinely love and sincerely serve. What are some strategies that you have used to avoid loving and serving that person?

How does a "big perspective" help you to see them in a different light?

*Read through the Bible in a year! Here is this week's schedule.*

**Sunday**

*Is. 45-46 & Rom. 3*

**Monday**

*Is. 47-48 & Rom. 4*

**Tuesday**

*Is. 49-50 & Rom. 5*

**Wednesday**

*Is. 51-52 & Rom. 6*

**Thursday**

*Is. 53-54 & Rom. 7*

**Friday**

*Is. 55-56 & Rom. 8*

**Saturday**

*Is. 57-58 & Rom. 9*