

# DIGGING DEEPER

Col 1v21-23 - Reconciliation

# The Glory of the Cross

PLEASE READ - Col 1v1-8 / 1v21-23 / 2v2-8

## **GETTING STARTED**

Understanding Colossians...

How did the good news reach Colossae? (1v6-8)

What was the church like? (1v3-8 & 2v5)

Why does Paul write this letter? (2v2-8)

Headline: Jesus is enough!!

## 1) Alienated from God – because of sin (1v21)

Who is Paul speaking to? What tense is he speaking in? Why does that matter?

Why does Paul speak about alienation **and** enmity? Chat about the use of both phrases and how we see them in operation throughout the scriptures...

As you look around the world today, do you see more apathy of hostility? How does that fit with what we read in v21?

#### 2) Reconciled to God – because of Jesus (1v22-23)

What do we learn about reconciliation from these 2 verses? Discuss in detail the...

Who... What... How... Why...

What part does faith play in the reconciling work of God?

#### Application station...

How should reconciliation with God impact our relationship with...

Other believers (Ephesians 2v11-22)

Non-believers (2 Cor 5v11-21)

Meditate on the words of Peter below...

**1 Peter 3v18:** For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God.