November 20, 2011 Dr. Mark D. Cain Colossians

Jesus Centered Thankfulness Colossians 3:15-17 (p. 1180)

Colossians is one of the most a) <u>Christ-centered</u> and b) <u>thanksgiving-dominated</u> books of the Bible – Consider the connection.

Gratitude springs not from the absence of problems but from experiencing the presence of Jesus.

Because of Jesus:

- 1. <u>PAST</u> "rescued" 1:13
- 2. <u>FUTURE</u> "glory" 3:4
- 3. <u>PRESENT</u> "peace" 3:15

Experiencing the presence of Jesus:

You must regard Jesus not only as a miraculous Person who did great things 2,000 years ago, but also as a "personal Person" who is doing great things in your life today.