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For Our Sunday School...

Fully knowing an infinite God is impossible,  
but we will strive to as he is worth the effort.

May this resource help us to experience, know, and enjoy God—  
so we can make him known with our words and works.

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## Introduction

### About Our Sunday School

Our Sunday School is a Sunday school class at Stuart Heights Baptist Church in Hixson, Tennessee. We meet basically every week (dv), and we would love for you to visit.

Our purpose is to experience, know, and enjoy God—so we can make him known with our words and works.

We take this seriously. It is our entire purpose, so everything we do is wrapped around this central tenet.

We focus on three basic practices:

- We study the Bible (engaging our heads with a substantive interaction with truth). This is orthodoxy.
- We pray for others (engaging our hearts with meaningful connection with believers). This is orthopathy.
- We serve others (engaging our hands with ministry training). This is orthopraxy.

Our Bible study process in Our Sunday School is simple. We pray with others, hear with others, think with others, study with others, share with others, and invite others. We even wrote a small book about this process, *Toward a More Biblical Approach to Bible Study*—available online at [OurSundaySchool.com](http://OurSundaySchool.com) and in print at Amazon.

## About This Resource

This resource contains the material used by Our Sunday School to study the second part of **The Epistle to the Colossians (Colossians)**. Additional audio and video resources associated with this book are available at OurSundaySchool.com. Additionally, this resource is part of a larger series of Our Sunday School resources—all of which are available at OurSundaySchool.com.

This tool is primarily for members of Our Sunday School and Stuart Heights Baptist Church. But if you find it outside of these, then I pray it helps you too.

Bible study can be overwhelming at first, but our Lord Jesus Christ tells us in **Mark 12:30** we are to **Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.**

To assist you in understanding how this document is laid out, a brief overview of the formatting is provided below.

**Bold black text is the Nestle-Aland 28th edition (NA28) of the Greek New Testament** (Novum Testamentum Graece, © 2012 Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft). This text serves as our primary source for Bible study.

**Bold red text is from the Christian Standard Bible**

**Bold blue text are Bible references**

The layout formatting is generally as follows (two words of **Colossians 1:2** are used as the example): the NA28, then the CSB, then the word-by-word analysis is shown in brackets for each word in the NA28. The word order for the CSB is used.

### NA28

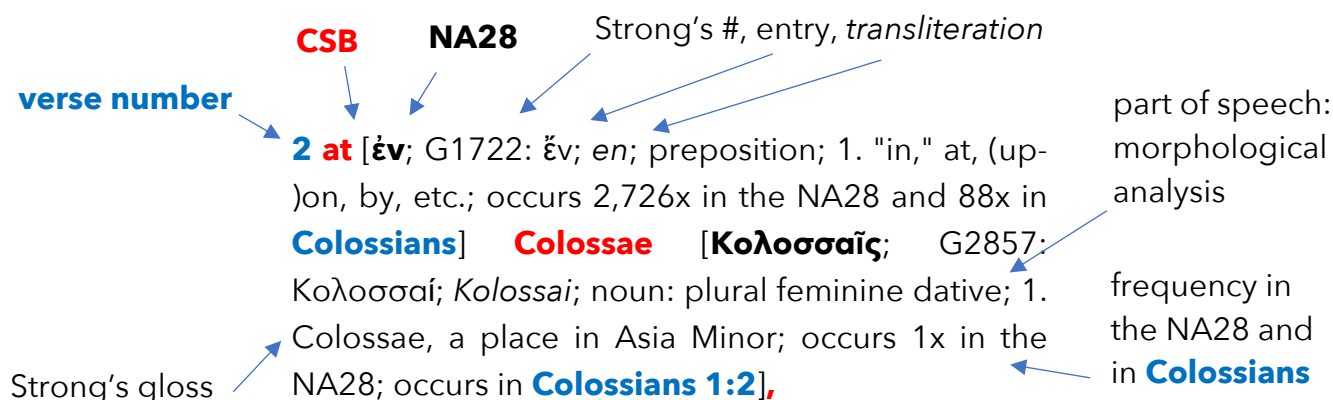
**2** ἐν Κολοσσαῖς

### CSB

**2** in Colossae

## Word-by-word analysis

**Verse number** **CSB text** [NA28 text; Strong's #: Strong's entry; Strong's transliteration; part of speech: morphological analysis; Strong's gloss; frequency in the NA28; frequency in **Colossians**] ... repeated for each word:



A few things to know about the formatting above:

- This is not new content. The CSB is used for the English text, the NA28 is used for the Greek text, Strong's Concordance is used for all the associated Strong's entries, and source code from CrossWire.org is used for the morphological analysis (using Robinson's Morphological Analysis Codes).
- This is a new view of existing content. After gathering and cross-checking the data, I regrouped, analyzed, and formatted the data in Excel and then pasted it into Word for additional formatting. The final output is this document.

Finally, space is left at the bottom of each page to document applications (what the point of the text is) and personalizations (what we are to do with those points).

This resource is not a commentary on **Colossians**. As such, if you get an opportunity to listen to the podcasts or view the videos associated with this series, you will hear me refer to the following commentaries. I suggest you consider purchasing and engaging with them. Each brings a different perspective and focus.

- Beale, G. K. *Colossians and Philemon*. Baker Exegetical Commentary on the New Testament. Baker, 2019.
- Bruce, F. F. *The Epistles to the Colossians, to Philemon, and to the Ephesians*. New International Commentary on the New Testament. Eerdmans, 1984.

- Garland, David. *Colossians, Philemon*. NIV Application Commentary. Zondervan, 1998.
- Harris, Murray J. *Colossians & Philemon: Exegetical Guide to the Greek New Testament*. Eerdmans, 1991.
- Hughes, R. Kent. *Colossians and Philemon: The Supremacy of Christ*. Preaching the Word. Crossway, 1989.
- Lucas, R. C. *The Message of Colossians and Philemon: Fullness and Freedom*. Bible Speaks Today. IVP, 1980.
- McKnight, Scot. *The Letter to the Colossians*. New International Commentary on the New Testament. Eerdmans, 2018.
- Moo, Douglas J. *The Letters to the Colossians and to Philemon*. Pillar New Testament Commentary. Eerdmans, 2008.
- Pao, David W. *Colossians & Philemon*. Zondervan Exegetical Commentary. Zondervan, 2012.
- Wright, N. T. *The Epistles of Paul to the Colossians and to Philemon*. Tyndale New Testament Commentary. Eerdmans, 2007.

I claim no infallibility relative to any material presented here. These materials are simply, as many have said before, one beggar showing other beggars where to find bread.

I hope this resource assists in enabling you to better understand this epistle. As errors are found, please let me know so I can correct them. Feel free to contact me at [jim314@yahoo.com](mailto:jim314@yahoo.com) with edits, questions, or feedback.

To paraphrase a tweet from CityAlight, I pray this resource might join the many thousands of resources written throughout history to encourage the church, and when it has played its part, to make way for the next.

Grace and peace,

Jim Fleming  
Hixson, Tennessee  
August 2023



## Cheat Sheet for Greek Verbs

Summarized and adapted from Corey Keating ([ntgreek.org](http://ntgreek.org)) and Strong's Concordance

A Greek verb can have a person, number, tense, voice, and mood.

### Person (the form of the verb, which will agree with its subject)

- First: the person speaking
- Second: the person being spoken to
- Third: the person/thing being spoken of or about

### Number (the reference of the verb, which will agree with its subject)

- Singular: referencing one
- Plural: referencing more than one

### Tense (the time and kind of action of the verb from the perspective of the speaker)

- Present: right-now continuous action
- Aorist: occurrence without regard for time (undefined action), usually in the past
- Imperfect: regular or continuous ongoing action usually in the past
- Perfect: completed action with the effects felt in the present
- Future: anticipated action
- Pluperfect: completed action with the effects no longer felt in the present
- Future perfect: uncompleted action in the present, but completed in the future

### Voice (the performer of the verb)

- Active: the subject performs the action
  - Passive: the subject receives the action
  - Middle: the subject performs the action in a way that affects the subject
- Deponent: a verb that is middle or passive in form, but active in meaning

### Mood (the relationship to reality of the verb, from the perspective of the subject)

- Indicative: statement of fact
- Imperative: command (or entreat when the subject is God)
- Subjunctive: probability, possibility, exhortation, or self-evident
- Optative: possibility (more remotely possible than subjunctive)
- Participle: verbal adjective—the word plus “ing”
- Infinitive: verbal noun—“to” plus the word

## Cheat Sheet for Greek Nouns

Summarized and adapted from William D. Mounce's *Basics of Biblical Greek*

A Greek noun has a number, gender, and case.

### **Number (the reference of the noun)**

- Singular: referencing one
- Plural: referencing more than one

### **Gender (the grammatical gender of the noun)**

- Masculine: masculine gender
- Feminine: feminine gender
- Neuter: neuter gender

### **Case (the function the noun performs in the sentence)**

- Nominative: the subject of the sentence
- Accusative: the direct object of the sentence
- Genitive: can indicate possession (i.e., 's or "of")
- Dative: can indicate the ideas "to" (indirect object), "in," and "with"
- Vocative: the case of direct address

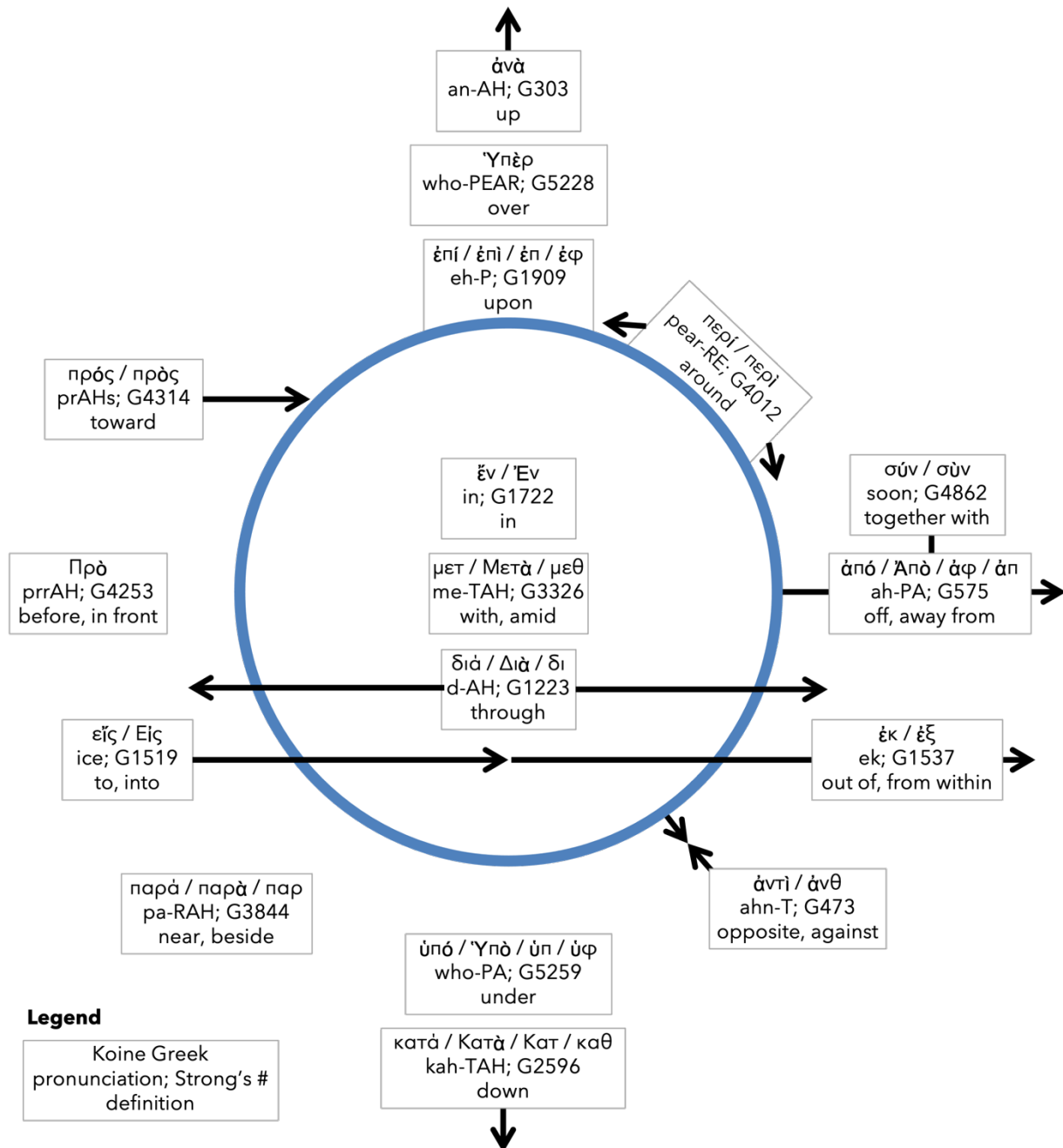
Note that Greek nouns also have a declension, but this only affects the case, not the meaning, so it is not addressed in this resource.

Greek adjectives follow the same morphology as Greek nouns, so the cheat sheet above applies to Greek adjectives as well.

## Cheat Sheet for Greek Prepositions

Adapted from Dana and Mantey, *A Manual Grammar of the Greek New Testament*, William D. Mounce's *Basics of Biblical Greek*, and Mount Vernon Grace Brethren Church

A Greek preposition indicates the relationship between two words. For most prepositions, the preposition circle below visually represents their spatial relationships.



For some prepositions, the meaning of a preposition can depend upon the case of its object. The table below summarizes those scenarios.

<b>Preposition</b>	<b>Genitive (away from)</b>	<b>Dative (at rest)</b>	<b>Accusative (motion)</b>
διὰ	instead of, for	beside, in the presence of	
ἐκ			on account of
ἔνεκα	on, over, when	on the basis of, at	toward, upon
κατὰ	against		according to
μετ			after
παρά	from	at/in the vicinity of	
περί	concerning, about		
πρός	the side of	by the side of, near to	the place, time, occasion, or respect
ὑπὲρ	above, in behalf of		superior to, more than
ὑπό	beneath, by		

Finally, there are non-spatial prepositions:

ἔμπροσθέν / ἔμπροσθεν  
EM-pros-then; G1715  
in front

ἔνεκα / ἔνεκεν / εἵνεκεν  
HEN-eh-kuh; G1752  
on account of

ἄτερ  
OT-ehr; G817  
without, apart from

ἄνευ  
ahn-OO; G427  
without

## Greek Punctuation

Taken from page 13 of William D. Mounce's *Basics of Biblical Greek*

Character	Looks like the English	Greek meaning
θεός,	comma	comma
θεός.	period	period
θεός·	period above the line	semicolon
θεός;	semicolon	question mark

## Broad Overview of Geography Relevant to Paul of Tarsus

Monozigote. (2012). *Broad Overview of Geography Relevant to Paul of Tarsus* [Map]. Wikipedia.



## **Colossians 1:1-2:3**

## Preparing for Colossians 1:1-2:3

### In-class practice

#### Process Step #1: Pray with others

- **Our attitudes:** Fear, dependence, and expectancy
- **Our actions:** Pray for hearing, illumination, and wisdom
- **Our homework:** Pray for help with the text

#### Process Step #2: Hear with others

- **Our attitudes:** Respect and deference
- **Our actions:** Read the Bible aloud and hear the Bible read aloud
- **Our homework:** Hear the text read aloud

#### Process Step #3: Think with others

- **Our attitudes:** Humility, delight, and steadfastness
- **Our actions:** Think about God's word day and night and think up
- **Our homework:** Think slowly about the text

#### Process Step #4: Study with others

- **Our attitudes:** Resolve, incompleteness, and teachableness
- **Our actions:** Talk to teachers and use available resources
- **Our homework:** Study the text with all available resources

#### Process Step #5: Share with others

- **Our attitudes:** Intention, lowliness, calm, and patience
- **Our actions:** Speak the truth in love and trust God
- **Our homework:** Share with love and trust

### After-class homework

#### Process Step #6: Invite others

- **Our attitudes:** Urgency and obedience
- **Our actions:** Invite those inside and invite those outside
- **Our homework:** Invite everyone

## Colossians 1:1-2: Greeting

NA28

**1** Παῦλος ἀπόστολος Χριστοῦ Ἰησοῦ διὰ θελήματος θεοῦ καὶ Τιμόθεος ὁ ἀδελφός, **2** τοῖς ἐν Κολοσσαῖς ἀγίοις καὶ πιστοῖς ἀδελφοῖς ἐν Χριστῷ χάρις ὑμῖν καὶ εἰρήνη ἀπὸ θεοῦ πατρὸς ἡμῶν.

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**1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by God's will, and Timothy our brother:**  
**2 To the saints in Christ at Colossae, who are faithful brothers and sisters.**  
**Grace to you and peace from God our Father.**

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**Word-by-word analysis**

**1:1 Paul** [Παῦλος; G3972: Παῦλος; *Paulos*; noun: singular masculine nominative; 1. little 2. Paulus, the name of a Roman and of an apostle; occurs 158x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:1; 1:23; 4:18**], **an apostle** [ἀπόστολος; G652: ἀπόστολος; *apostolos*; noun: singular masculine nominative; 1. a delegate 2. (specially) an ambassador of the Gospel 3. (officially) a commissioner of Christ, "apostle" (with miraculous powers); occurs 79x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:1**] **of Christ** [Χριστοῦ; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, יֵשׁוּעַ, יֵשׁוּעָה; occurs 525x in the NA28 and 25x in **Colossians**] **Jesus** [Ἰησοῦ; G2424: Ἰησοῦς; *Iesous*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. Jesus (i.e., Jehoshua), the name of our Lord and two (three) other Israelites; occurs 910x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:1; 1:3; 1:4; 2:6; 3:17; 4:11; 4:12**] **by** [διὰ; G1223: διά; *dia*; preposition; 1. through; occurs 665x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] **God's** [θεοῦ; G2316:

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θεός; *theos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 1,311x in the NA28 and 21x in **Colossians** **will** [θελήματος; G2307: θέλημα; *the/ema*; noun: singular neuter genitive; 1. a determination (properly, the thing) 2. (actively) choice 3. (specially) purpose, decree 4. (abstractly) volition 5. (passively) inclination; occurs 62x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:1; 1:9; 4:12**], **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians** **Timothy** [Τιμόθεος; G5095: Τιμόθεος; *Timotheos*; noun: singular masculine nominative; 1. dear to God 2. Timotheus, a Christian; occurs 24x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:1**] **our** [ὁ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians** **brother** [ἀδελφός; G80: ἀδελφός; *adelphos*; noun: singular masculine nominative; 1. a brother 2. (of faith) a brother in our Lord, Jesus; occurs 343x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:1; 1:2; 4:7; 4:9; 4:15**]:

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**2 To the** [τοῖς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **saints** [ἁγίοις; G40: ἅγιος; *hagios*; adjective: plural masculine dative; 1. sacred 2. (physically) pure 3. (morally) blameless 4. (religious, ceremonially) consecrated; occurs 233x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:4; 1:12; 1:22; 1:26; 3:12**] **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **Christ** [Χριστῷ; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine dative; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, *ישׁוּעַ*, *ישׁוּיח*; occurs 525x in the NA28 and 25x in **Colossians**] **at** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **Colossae** [Κολοσσαῖς; G2857: Κολοσσαί; *Kolossai*; noun: plural feminine dative; 1. Colossae, a place in Asia Minor; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2**], [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the

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NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **who are faithful** [πιστοῖς; G4103: πιστός; *pistos*; adjective: plural masculine dative; 1. (objectively) trustworthy 2. (subjectively) trustful; occurs 67x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:7; 4:7; 4:9**] **brothers** [ἀδελφοῖς; G80: ἀδελφός; *adelphos*; noun: plural masculine dative; 1. a brother 2. (of faith) a brother in our Lord, Jesus; occurs 343x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:1; 1:2; 4:7; 4:9; 4:15**] **and sisters**.

**Grace** [χάρις; G5485: χάρις; *charis*; noun: singular feminine nominative; 1. graciousness (as gratifying), of manner or act 2. (especially) the divine influence upon the heart, and its reflection in the life 3. (also) gratitude; occurs 155x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:6; 3:16; 4:6; 4:18**] **to you** [ὑμῖν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural dative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] **and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **peace** [εἰρήνη; G1515: εἰρήνη; *eirene*; noun: singular feminine nominative; 1. peace 2. (by implication) prosperity; occurs 91x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 3:15**] **from** [ἀπὸ; G575: ἀπό; *apo*; preposition;

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1. "off," i.e., away (from something near), in various senses (of place, time, or relation); occurs 633x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:6; 1:7; 1:9; 1:23; 1:26 (2); 2:20; 3:24** **God** [θεοῦ; G2316: θεός; *theos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 1,311x in the NA28 and 21x in **Colossians** **our** [ἡμῶν; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first plural genitive; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians** **Father** [πατρός; G3962: πατήρ; *pater*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a "father"; occurs 411x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:3; 1:12; 3:17; 3:21**].<sup>A</sup>

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<sup>A</sup> Other mss add *and the Lord Jesus Christ*

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## Colossians 1:3-8: Thanksgiving

NA28

**3** Εὐχαριστοῦμεν τῷ θεῷ πατρὶ τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ πάντοτε  
περὶ ὑμῶν προσευχόμενοι, **4** ἀκούσαντες τὴν πίστιν ὑμῶν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ  
καὶ τὴν ἀγάπην ἣν ἔχετε εἰς πάντας τοὺς ἁγίους **5** διὰ τὴν ἐλπίδα τὴν  
ἀποκειμένην ὑμῖν ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς, ἣν προηκούσατε ἐν τῷ λόγῳ τῆς  
ἀληθείας τοῦ εὐαγγελίου **6** τοῦ παρόντος εἰς ὑμᾶς, καθὼς καὶ ἐν παντὶ τῷ  
κόσμῳ ἐστὶν καρποφορούμενον καὶ αὐξανόμενον καθὼς καὶ ἐν ὑμῖν, ἀφ’  
ἧς ἡμέρας ἠκούσατε καὶ ἐπέγνωτε τὴν χάριν τοῦ θεοῦ ἐν ἀληθείᾳ· **7** καθὼς  
ἐμάθετε ἀπὸ Ἐπαφρᾶ τοῦ ἀγαπητοῦ συνδούλου ἡμῶν, ὅς ἐστιν πιστὸς

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ὑπὲρ ὑμῶν διάκονος τοῦ Χριστοῦ, **8** ὁ καὶ δηλώσας ἡμῖν τὴν ὑμῶν ἀγάπην  
ἐν πνεύματι.

### CSB

**3** We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, **4** for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all the saints **5** because of the hope reserved for you in heaven. You have already heard about this hope in the word of truth, the gospel **6** that has come to you. It is bearing fruit and growing all over the world, just as it has among you since the day you heard it and came to truly appreciate God's grace. **7** You learned this from Epaphras, our dearly loved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, **8** and he has told us about your love in the Spirit.

### Word-by-word analysis

**3** We always thank [Εὐχαριστοῦμεν; G2168: εὐχαριστέω; *eucharisteo*; verb: first plural present active indicative; 1. to be grateful 2. (actively) to express



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gratitude (towards) 3. (specially) to say grace at a meal; occurs 38x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:3; 1:12; 3:17**] [τῷ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **God** [θεῷ; G2316: θεός; *theos*; noun: singular masculine dative; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 1,311x in the NA28 and 21x in **Colossians**], **the Father** [πατρὶ; G3962: πατήρ; *pater*; noun: singular masculine dative; 1. a "father"; occurs 411x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:3; 1:12; 3:17; 3:21**] **of our** [ἡμῶν; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first plural genitive; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians**] [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **Lord** [κυρίου; G2962: κύριος; *kurios*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. supreme in authority 2. (as noun) controller 3. (by implication) Master (as a respectful title); occurs 714x in the NA28 and 16x in **Colossians**] **Jesus** [Ἰησοῦ; G2424: Ἰησοῦς; *Iesous*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. Jesus (i.e., Jehoshua), the name of our Lord and two (three) other Israelites; occurs 910x in

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the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:1; 1:3; 1:4; 2:6; 3:17; 4:11; 4:12**] **Christ** [Χριστοῦ; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, ἡ ἰη; occurs 525x in the NA28 and 25x in **Colossians**], **when** [πάντοτε; G3842: πάντοτε; *pantote*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. every when, i.e., at all times; occurs 41x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:3; 4:6; 4:12**] **we pray** [προσευχόμενοι; G4336: προσεύχομαι; *proseuchomai*; verb: plural masculine nominative present middle or passive deponent participle; 1. to pray to God, i.e., supplicate, worship; occurs 85x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:3; 1:9; 4:3**] **for** [περί; G4012: περί; *peri*; preposition; 1. (properly) through (all over), i.e., around 2. (figuratively) with respect to; occurs 328x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:3; 4:3; 4:8; 4:10**] **you** [ὑμῶν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural genitive; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**], **4 for we have heard** [ἀκούσαντες; G191: ἀκούω; *akouo*; verb:



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plural masculine nominative aorist active participle; 1. to hear; occurs 429x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:6; 1:9; 1:23** **of your** [ὑμῶν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural genitive; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] [τῇν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **faith** [πίστιν; G4102: πίστις; *pistis*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. persuasion, i.e., credence 2. (morally) conviction (of religious truth, or the truthfulness of God or a religious teacher) 3. (especially) reliance upon Christ for salvation 4. (abstractly) constancy in such profession 5. (by extension) the system of religious (Gospel) truth itself; occurs 243x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:23; 2:5; 2:7; 2:12** **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **Christ** [Χριστῷ; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine dative; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, Ἰησοῦ; occurs 525x in the

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NA28 and 25x in **Colossians**] **Jesus** [Ἰησοῦ; G2424: Ἰησοῦς; *Iesous*; noun: singular masculine dative; 1. Jesus (i.e., Jehoshua), the name of our Lord and two (three) other Israelites; occurs 910x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:1; 1:3; 1:4; 2:6; 3:17; 4:11; 4:12**] **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **of the** [τῇ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **love** [ἀγάπην; G26: ἀγάπη; *agape*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. love, i.e., affection or benevolence 2. (specially, plural) a love-feast; occurs 116x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:8; 1:13; 2:2; 3:14**] [ἣν; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular feminine accusative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **you have** [ἔχετε; G2192: ἔχω; *echo*; verb: second plural present active indicative; 1. to hold (such as possession, ability, continuity, relation, or condition); occurs 705x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:14; 2:1; 2:23; 3:13; 4:1; 4:13**] **for** [εἰς; G1519: εἰς; *eis*;

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preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time

2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians** **all** [πάντας; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: plural masculine accusative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians** **the** [τοὺς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians** **saints** [ἁγίους; G40: ἅγιος; *hagios*; adjective: plural masculine accusative; 1. sacred 2. (physically) pure 3. (morally) blameless 4. (religious, ceremonially) consecrated; occurs 233x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:4; 1:12; 1:22; 1:26; 3:12** **5 because** [διὰ; G1223: διά; *dia*; preposition; 1. through; occurs 665x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians** **of the** [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians** **hope** [ἐλπίδα; G1680: ἐλπίς; *elpis*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. expectation 2. (abstractly or concretely) confidence; occurs 53x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5; 1:23; 1:27**] [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and



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262x in **Colossians**] **reserved** [ἀποκειμένην; G606: ἀπόκειμαι; *apokeimai*; verb: singular feminine accusative present middle or passive deponent participle; 1. to be reserved 2. (figuratively) to await; occurs 4x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5**] **for you** [ὑμῖν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural dative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] [τοῖς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **heaven** [οὐρανοῖς; G3772: οὐρανός; *ouranos*; noun: plural masculine dative; 1. the sky 2. (by extension) heaven (as the abode of God) 3. (by implication) happiness, power, eternity 4. (specially) the Gospel (Christianity); occurs 272x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5; 1:16; 1:20; 1:23; 4:1**]. [ἣν; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular feminine accusative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **You have already heard** [προηκούσατε; G4257: προακούω; *proakouo*; verb: second plural aorist active indicative; 1. to hear

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already, i.e., anticipate; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5]** **about** **this hope in** [ἐν; G1722: ἔν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians]** **the** [τῷ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **word** [λόγῳ; G3056: λόγος; *logos*; noun: singular masculine dative; 1. something said (including the thought) 2. (by implication) a topic (subject of discourse), also reasoning (the mental faculty) or motive 3. (by extension) a computation 4. (specially, with the article in John) the Divine Expression (i.e., Christ); occurs 327x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5; 1:25; 2:23; 3:16; 3:17; 4:3; 4:6]** **of** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **truth** [ἀληθείας; G225: ἀλήθεια; *aletheia*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. truth; occurs 109x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5; 1:6],** **the** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **gospel** [εὐαγγελίου; G2098: εὐαγγέλιον; *euaggelion*; noun: singular neuter genitive; 1. (properly) a good message 2.

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(specially) the good news of redemption through Jesus (i.e., the gospel of Jesus)

3. (also called) the good news; occurs 76x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians**

**1:5; 1:23]** **6 that has** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter



genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **come**

[παρόντος; G3918: πάρεμι; *pareimi*; verb: singular neuter genitive present

active participle; 1. to be near, i.e., at hand 2. (neuter present participle, singular)

time being 3. (plural) property; occurs 25x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians**

**1:6]** **to** [εἰς; G1519: εἰς; *eis*; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point

reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result,

etc.); occurs 1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians]** **you** [ὕμᾱς; G4771: σύ;

*su*; personal pronoun: second plural accusative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the

NA28 and 57x in **Colossians]** **It is** [ἐστὶν; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular

present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in

**Colossians]** **bearing fruit** [καρποφορούμενον; G2592: καρποφορέω;

*karpophoreo*; verb: singular neuter nominative present middle participle; 1. to

be fertile; occurs 8x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6; 1:10]** **and** [καὶ;

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G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **growing** [αὐξανόμενον; G837: αὐξάνω; *auxano*; verb: singular neuter nominative present passive participle; 1. to grow ("wax"), i.e., enlarge; occurs 23x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6; 1:10; 2:19**] [καθώς; G2531: καθώς; *kathos*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. just (or inasmuch) as, that; occurs 180x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6 (2); 1:7; 2:7; 3:13**] [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **all** [παντί; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular masculine dative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **over** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **the** [τῷ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **world** [κόσμῳ; G2889: κόσμος; *kosmos*; noun: singular masculine dative; 1. orderly arrangement, i.e., decoration 2. (by implication) the world including its inhabitants; occurs 186x in the NA28; occurs

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in **Colossians 1:6; 2:8; 2:20 (2)**, **just as** [καθώς; G2531: καθώς; *kathos*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. just (or inasmuch) as, that; occurs 180x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6 (2); 1:7; 2:7; 3:13**] **it has** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **among** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **you** [ὑμῖν; G4771: οὐ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural dative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] **since** [ἀπό; G575: ἀπό; *apo*; preposition; 1. "off," i.e., away (from something near), in various senses (of place, time, or relation); occurs 633x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:6; 1:7; 1:9; 1:23; 1:26 (2); 2:20; 3:24**] **the** [ἥς; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular feminine genitive; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **day** [ἡμέρας; G2250: ἡμέρα; *hemera*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. day 2. (literally) the time space between dawn and dark, or the whole 24 hours 3. (figuratively) a period; occurs 381x in the NA28; occurs in

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**Colossians 1:6; 1:9]** **you heard** [ἤκούσατε; G191: ἀκούω; *akouo*; verb: second plural aorist active indicative; 1. to hear; occurs 429x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:6; 1:9; 1:23]** **it and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians]** **came to truly appreciate** [ἐπέγνωτε; G1921: ἐπιγινώσκω; *epiginosko*; verb: second plural second aorist active indicative; 1. to know upon some mark, i.e., recognize 2. (by implication) to become fully acquainted with, to acknowledge; occurs 42x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6]** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **God's** [θεοῦ; G2316: θεός; *theos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 1,311x in the NA28 and 21x in **Colossians]** [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **grace** [χάριν; G5485: χάρις; *charis*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. graciousness (as gratifying), of manner or act 2. (especially) the divine influence upon the heart, and its

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reflection in the life 3. (also) gratitude; occurs 155x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:6; 3:16; 4:6; 4:18**] [**ἐν**; G1722: ἔν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] [**ἀληθεία**; G225: ἀλήθεια; *aletheia*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. truth; occurs 109x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5; 1:6**].<sup>B</sup> **7** [**καθώς**; G2531: καθώς; *kathos*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. just (or inasmuch) as, that; occurs 180x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6 (2); 1:7; 2:7; 3:13**] **You learned** [**ἐμάθετε**; G3129: μανθάνω; *manthano*; verb: second plural second aorist active indicative; 1. to learn (in any way); occurs 25x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:7**] **this from** [**ἀπὸ**; G575: ἀπό; *apo*; preposition; 1. "off," i.e., away (from something near), in various senses (of place, time, or relation); occurs 633x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:6; 1:7; 1:9; 1:23; 1:26 (2); 2:20; 3:24**] **Epaphras** [**Ἐπαφρᾶ**; G1889: Ἐπαφρᾶς; *Epaphras*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. Epaphras, a Christian; occurs 3x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:7; 4:12**], **our** [**ἡμῶν**; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first plural genitive;




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<sup>B</sup> Or and truly recognized God's grace

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1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians**] [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **dearly loved** [ἀγαπητοῦ; G27: ἀγαπητός; *agapetos*; adjective: singular masculine genitive; 1. beloved; occurs 61x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:7; 4:7; 4:9; 4:14**] **fellow servant** [συνδούλου; G4889: σύνδουλος; *sundoulos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a co-slave, i.e., servitor or ministrant of the same master (human or divine); occurs 10x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:7; 4:7**]. **He** [ὃς; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular masculine nominative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **is** [ἐστίν; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians**] **a faithful** [πιστός; G4103: πιστός; *pistos*; adjective: singular masculine nominative; 1. (objectively) trustworthy 2. (subjectively) trustful; occurs 67x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:7; 4:7; 4:9**] **minister** [διάκονος; G1249: διάκονος; *diakonos*; noun: singular masculine nominative;

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1. an attendant, a servant 2. (genitive case) a waiter (at table or in other menial duties) 3. (specially) a male Christian serving in a specific function and post (i.e., tending the widows and the poor, teaching, pastoring, etc.); occurs 29x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:7; 1:23; 1:25; 4:7** **of** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **Christ** [Χριστοῦ; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, *ישׁוּעַ*, *ישׁוּעָה*; occurs 525x in the NA28 and 25x in **Colossians**] **on your** [ὑμῶν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural genitive; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**]<sup>c</sup> **behalf** [ὑπὲρ; G5228: ὑπέρ; *hyper*; preposition; 1. "over" 2. (with the genitive case) of place, above, beyond, across, or causal, for the sake of, instead, regarding 3. (with the accusative case) superior to, more than; occurs 152x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:7; 1:9;**

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<sup>c</sup> Other mss read *our*

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**1:24 (2); 2:1; 4:12; 4:13], 8 and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **he** [ὁ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **has told** [δηλώσας; G1213: δηλόω; *de/oo*; verb: singular masculine nominative aorist active participle; 1. to make plain (by words); occurs 7x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:8**] **us** [ἡμῖν; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first plural dative; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians**] **about your** [ὑμῶν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural genitive; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **love** [ἀγάπην; G26: ἀγάπη; *agape*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. love, i.e., affection or benevolence 2. (specially, plural) a love-feast; occurs 116x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:8; 1:13; 2:2; 3:14**] **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **the**

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**Spirit** [πνεύματι; G4151: πνεῦμα; *pneuma*; noun: singular neuter dative; 1. a current of air, i.e., breath (blast) or a breeze 2. (by analogy or figuratively) a spirit 3. (humanly) the rational soul 4. (by implication) vital principle, mental disposition, etc. 5. (superhumanly) an angel, demon 6. (divinely) God, Christ's spirit, the Holy Spirit; occurs 376x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:8; 2:5**].

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## Colossians 1:9-14: Prayer for Spiritual Growth

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**9** Διὰ τοῦτο καὶ ἡμεῖς, ἀφ' ἧς ἡμέρας ἠκούσαμεν, οὐ παύομεθα ὑπὲρ ὑμῶν προσευχόμενοι καὶ αἰτούμενοι, ἵνα πληρωθῇτε τὴν ἐπίγνωσιν τοῦ θελήματος αὐτοῦ ἐν πάσῃ σοφίᾳ καὶ συνέσει πνευματικῇ, **10** περιπατῆσαι ἀξίως τοῦ κυρίου εἰς πᾶσαν ἀρεσκείαν, ἐν παντὶ ἔργῳ ἀγαθῷ καρποφοροῦντες καὶ αὐξανόμενοι τῇ ἐπιγνώσει τοῦ θεοῦ, **11** ἐν πάσῃ δυνάμει δυναμούμενοι κατὰ τὸ κράτος τῆς δόξης αὐτοῦ εἰς πᾶσαν ὑπομονὴν καὶ μακροθυμίαν.

Μετὰ χαρᾶς **12** εὐχαριστοῦντες τῷ πατρὶ τῷ ἱκανώσαντι ὑμᾶς εἰς τὴν μερίδα τοῦ κλήρου τῶν ἁγίων ἐν τῷ φωτί· **13** ὃς ἐρρύσατο ἡμᾶς ἐκ τῆς

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ἐξουσίας τοῦ σκούτους καὶ μετέστησεν εἰς τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ υἱοῦ τῆς ἀγάπης αὐτοῦ, **14** ἐν ᾧ ἔχομεν τὴν ἀπολύτρωσιν, τὴν ἄφεσιν τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν.

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**9** For this reason also, since the day we heard this, we haven't stopped praying for you. We are asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding, **10** so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and growing in the knowledge of God, **11** being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, so that you may have great endurance and patience, joyfully **12** giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the saints' inheritance in the light. **13** He has rescued us from the domain of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son he loves. **14** In him we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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### Word-by-word analysis

**9 For** [Διὰ; G1223: διά; *dia*; preposition; 1. through; occurs 665x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] **this** [τοῦτο; G3778: οὗτος; *houtos*; demonstrative pronoun: singular neuter accusative; 1. the he (she or it), i.e., this or that (often with article repeated); occurs 1,362x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 1:27; 2:4; 3:7; 3:14; 3:20; 4:8; 4:11**] **reason also** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**], **since** [ἀπό; G575: ἀπό; *apo*; preposition; 1. "off," i.e., away (from something near), in various senses (of place, time, or relation); occurs 633x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:6; 1:7; 1:9; 1:23; 1:26 (2); 2:20; 3:24**] **the** [ἥς; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular feminine genitive; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **day** [ἡμέρας; G2250: ἡμέρα; *hemera*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. day 2. (literally) the time space between dawn and dark, or the whole 24 hours 3. (figuratively) a period; occurs 381x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6; 1:9**] **we** [ἡμεῖς; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first plural nominative; 1.

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(emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians** **heard** [ἠκούσαμεν; G191: ἀκούω; *akouo*; verb: first plural aorist active indicative; 1. to hear; occurs 429x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:6; 1:9; 1:23**] **this, we haven't** [οὐ; G3756: οὐ; *ou*; negative particle; 1. no or not; occurs 1,614x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 2:1; 2:8; 2:19; 2:23; 3:11; 3:23; 3:25**] **stopped** [παύμεθα; G3973: παύω; *pauo*; verb: first plural present middle indicative; 1. to stop, i.e., restrain, quit, desist, come to an end; occurs 15x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9**] **praying** [προσευχόμενοι; G4336: προσεύχομαι; *proseuchomai*; verb: plural masculine nominative present middle or passive deponent participle; 1. to pray to God, i.e., supplicate, worship; occurs 85x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:3; 1:9; 4:3**] **for** [ὑπὲρ; G5228: ὑπέρ; *huper*; preposition; 1. "over" 2. (with the genitive case) of place, above, beyond, across, or causal, for the sake of, instead, regarding 3. (with the accusative case) superior to, more than; occurs 152x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:7; 1:9; 1:24 (2); 2:1; 4:12; 4:13**] **you** [ὑμῶν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural genitive; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28

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and 57x in **Colossians**]. [**καὶ**; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **We are asking** [**αἰτούμενοι**; G154: αἰτέω; *aiteo*; verb: plural masculine nominative present middle participle; 1. to ask; occurs 69x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9**] **that** [**ἵνα**; G2443: ἵνα; *hina*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. in order that (denoting the purpose or the result); occurs 663x in the NA28 and 13x in **Colossians**] **you may be filled** [**πληρωθῇτε**; G4137: πληρόω; *pleroo*; verb: second plural aorist passive subjunctive; 1. to fully, completely fill 2. (literally) to cram (a net), level up (a hollow) 3. (figuratively) to fully supply, satisfy, execute (an office), finish (a period or task), verify (or coincide with a prediction), etc.; occurs 85x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 1:25; 2:10; 4:17**] **with the** [**τὴν**; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **knowledge** [**ἐπίγνωσιν**; G1922: ἐπίγνωσις; *epignosis*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. recognition 2. (by implication) full discernment, acknowledgement; occurs 20x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 1:10;**

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**2:2; 3:10] of his** [αὐτοῦ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] **τοῦ** [G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **will** [θελήματος; G2307: θέλημα; *thelema*; noun: singular neuter genitive; 1. a determination (properly, the thing) 2. (actively) choice 3. (specially) purpose, decree 4. (abstractly) volition 5. (passively) inclination; occurs 62x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:1; 1:9; 4:12**] **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **all** [πάση; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular feminine dative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **wisdom** [σοφία; G4678: σοφία; *sophia*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. wisdom (higher or lower, worldly or spiritual); occurs 51x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 1:28; 2:3; 2:23; 3:16; 4:5**] **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **spiritual** [πνευματικῇ; G4152: πνευματικός; *pneumatikos*; adjective: singular feminine

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dative; 1. spiritual 2. (demonically) of evil spirits 3. (divinely) of the Holy Spirit; occurs 26x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 3:16]** **understanding** [**συνέσει**; G4907: σύνεσις; *sunesis*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. a mental putting together, i.e., intelligence or (concretely) the intellect; occurs 7x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 2:2]**,<sup>D</sup> **10 so that you may walk** [**περιπατῆσαι**; G4043: περιπατέω; *peripateo*; verb: aorist active infinitive; 1. to tread all around, i.e., walk at large (especially as proof of ability) 2. (figuratively) to live, deport oneself, follow (as a companion or votary); occurs 95x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:10; 2:6; 3:7; 4:5]** **worthy** [**ἀξίως**; G516: ἀξίως; *axios*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. appropriately; occurs 6x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:10]** **of the** [**τοῦ**; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **Lord** [**κυρίου**; G2962: κύριος; *kurios*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. supreme in authority 2. (as noun) controller 3. (by implication) Master (as a respectful title); occurs 714x in the NA28 and 16x in **Colossians]**, **fully** [**εἰς**;

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<sup>D</sup> Or all spiritual wisdom and understanding

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G1519: εἰς; *eis*; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians**] [**πᾶσαν**; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular feminine accusative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **pleasing** [**ἀρεσκείαν**; G699: ἀρέσκεια; *areskeia*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. complaisance; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:10**] **to him: bearing fruit** [**καρποφοροῦντες**; G2592: καρποφορέω; *karpophoreo*; verb: plural masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to be fertile; occurs 8x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6; 1:10**] **in** [**ἐν**; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **every** [**παντὶ**; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular neuter dative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **good** [**ἀγαθῷ**; G18: ἀγαθός; *agathos*; adjective: singular neuter dative; 1. good; occurs 101x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:10**] **work** [**ἔργῳ**; G2041: ἔργον; *ergon*; noun: singular neuter dative; 1. toil (as an effort or occupation) 2. (by implication) an act; occurs 168x in the NA28;

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occurs in **Colossians 1:10; 1:21; 3:17**] **and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **growing** [αὐξανόμενοι; G837: αὐξάνω; *auxano*; verb: plural masculine nominative present passive participle; 1. to grow ("wax"), i.e., enlarge; occurs 23x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6; 1:10; 2:19**] **in the** [τῇ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **knowledge** [ἐπίγνώσει; G1922: ἐπίγνωσις; *epignosis*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. recognition 2. (by implication) full discernment, acknowledgement; occurs 20x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 1:10; 2:2; 3:10**] **of** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **God** [θεοῦ; G2316: θεός; *theos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 1,311x in the NA28 and 21x in **Colossians**], **11 being strengthened** [δυναμούμενοι; G1412: δυναμόω; *dunamoo*; verb: plural masculine nominative present passive participle; 1. to enable; occurs 2x in the NA28;



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occurs in **Colossians 1:11**] **with** [ἐν; G1722: ἔν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (upon), by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **all** [πάντη; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular feminine dative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **power** [δυνάμει; G1411: δύναμις; *dunamis*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. force 2. (specially) miraculous power 3. (usually by implication) a miracle itself; occurs 118x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:11; 1:29**], **according to** [κατὰ; G2596: κατά; *kata*; preposition; 1. (prepositionally) down (in place or time); occurs 472x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] **his** [αὐτοῦ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] [τῆς; G3588: ὅ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **glorious** [δόξης; G1391: δόξα; *doxa*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. glory (as very apparent), in a wide application (literal or figurative, objective or subjective); occurs 165x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:11; 1:27 (2); 3:4**] [τὸ; G3588: ὅ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28

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and 262x in **Colossians**] **might** [κράτος; G2904: κράτος; *kratos*; noun: singular neuter accusative; 1. vigor ("great"); occurs 12x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:11**], **so that** [εἰς; G1519: εἰς; *eis*; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians**] **you may have great** [πᾶσαν; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular feminine accusative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **endurance** [ὑπομονήν; G5281: ὑπομονή; *hupomone*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. cheerful (or hopeful) endurance, constancy; occurs 32x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:11**] **and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **patience** [μακροθυμίαν; G3115: μακροθυμία; *makrothumia*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. longanimity 2. (objectively) forbearance or (subjectively) fortitude; occurs 14x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:11; 3:12**], [Μετὰ; G3326: μετά; *meta*; preposition; 1. (properly) denoting accompaniment 2. "amid" (local or causal); occurs 464x in

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the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:11; 4:18** **joyfully** [χαρᾶς; G5479: χαρά; *chara*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. cheerfulness, i.e., calm delight; occurs 57x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:11**] **12 giving thanks** [εὐχαριστοῦντες; G2168: εὐχαριστέω; *eucharisteo*; verb: plural masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to be grateful 2. (actively) to express gratitude (towards) 3. (specially) to say grace at a meal; occurs 38x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:3; 1:12; 3:17**] **to the** [τῷ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **Father** [πατρὶ; G3962: πατήρ; *pater*; noun: singular masculine dative; 1. a "father"; occurs 411x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:3; 1:12; 3:17; 3:21**], **who** [τῷ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **has enabled** [ἰκανώσαντι; G2427: ἰκανόω; *hikanoo*; verb: singular masculine dative aorist active participle; 1. to enable, i.e., qualify; occurs 2x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:12**] **you** [ὑμᾶς; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural



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accusative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**<sup>E</sup> **to** [εἰς; G1519: εἰς; *eis*; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians**] [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **share** [μερίδα; G3310: μερίς; *meris*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. a portion, i.e., province, share or (abstractly) participation; occurs 5x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:12**] **in the** [τῶν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **saints'** [ἁγίων; G40: ἅγιος; *hagios*; adjective: plural masculine genitive; 1. sacred 2. (physically) pure 3. (morally) blameless 4. (religious, ceremonially) consecrated; occurs 233x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:4; 1:12; 1:22; 1:26; 3:12**] [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **inheritance** [κλήρου; G2819: κληρος; *kleros*; noun: singular masculine

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<sup>E</sup> Other mss read *us*

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genitive; 1. a die (for drawing chances) 2. (by implication) a portion (as if so secured) 3. (by extension) an acquisition (especially a patrimony, figuratively); occurs 10x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:12**] **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἔν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **the** [τῷ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **light** [φωτί; G5457: φῶς; *phos*; noun: singular neuter dative; 1. luminousness; occurs 73x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:12**]. **13 He** [ὃς; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular masculine nominative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **has rescued** [ἐρρύσατο; G4506: ῥύομαι; *rhuomai*; verb: third singular aorist middle or passive deponent indicative; 1. to rush or draw (for oneself), i.e., rescue; occurs 17x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:13**] **us** [ἡμᾶς; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first plural accusative; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians**] **from** [ἐκ; G1537: ἐκ; *ek*; preposition; 1. from (the point whence



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action or motion proceeds) 2. out (of place, time, or cause); occurs 907x in the NA28 and 11x in **Colossians**] **the** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **domain** [ἐξουσίας; G1849: ἐξουσία; *exousia*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. privilege 2. (subjectively) force, capacity, competency, freedom 3. (objectively) mastery (concretely, magistrate, superhuman, potentate, token of control), delegated influence; occurs 102x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:13; 1:16; 2:10; 2:15**] **of** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **darkness** [σκότους; G4655: σκότος; *skotos*; noun: singular neuter genitive; 1. shadiness, i.e., obscurity; occurs 30x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:13**] **and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **transferred** [μετέστησεν; G3179: μεθίστημι; *methistemi*; verb: third singular aorist active indicative; 1. to transfer, i.e., carry away, depose or (figuratively) exchange, seduce; occurs 5x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:13**] **us into** [εἰς; G1519:

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εἰς; *eis*; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians**] **the** [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **kingdom** [βασιλείαν; G932: βασιλεία; *basileia*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. (properly) royalty 2. (abstractly) rule 3. (concretely) a realm; occurs 160x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:13; 4:11**] **of the** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **Son** [υἱοῦ; G5207: υἱός; *huios*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a "son" (sometimes of animals); occurs 376x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:13; 3:6**] **he** [αὐτοῦ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **loves** [ἀγάπης; G26: ἀγάπη; *agape*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. love, i.e., affection or benevolence 2. (specially, plural) a love-feast; occurs 116x in the NA28; occurs

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in **Colossians 1:4; 1:8; 1:13; 2:2; 3:14**. **14 In** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **him** [ὃν; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **we have** [ἔχομεν; G2192: ἔχω; *echo*; verb: first plural present active indicative; 1. to hold (such as possession, ability, continuity, relation, or condition); occurs 705x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:14; 2:1; 2:23; 3:13; 4:1; 4:13**] [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **redemption** [ἀπολύτρωσιν; G629: ἀπολύτρωσις; *apolutrosis*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. (the act) ransom in full 2. (figuratively) riddance 3. (specially) Christian salvation; occurs 10x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:14**],<sup>F</sup> **the** [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **forgiveness** [ἄφεσιν; G859: ἄφεσις; *aphesis*; noun: singular feminine

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<sup>F</sup> Other mss add *through his blood*

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accusative; 1. freedom 2. (figuratively) pardon; occurs 16x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:14**] **of** [τῶν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **sins** [ἁμαρτιῶν; G266: ἁμαρτία; *hamartia*; noun: plural feminine genitive; 1. a sin; occurs 172x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:14**].

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## Colossians 1:15-23: The Centrality of Christ

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**15** ὃς ἐστὶν εἰκὼν τοῦ θεοῦ τοῦ ἀοράτου,

πρωτότοκος πάσης κτίσεως,

**16** ὅτι ἐν αὐτῷ ἐκτίσθη τὰ πάντα

ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς καὶ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς,

τὰ ὀρατὰ καὶ τὰ ἀόρατα,

εἴτε θρόνοι εἴτε κυριότητες

εἴτε ἀρχαὶ εἴτε ἐξουσίαι·

τὰ πάντα δι' αὐτοῦ καὶ εἰς αὐτὸν ἔκτισται·

**17** καὶ αὐτός ἐστιν πρὸ πάντων

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καὶ τὰ πάντα ἐν αὐτῷ συνέστηκεν,

**18** καὶ αὐτός ἐστιν ἡ κεφαλὴ τοῦ σώματος τῆς ἐκκλησίας·

ὅς ἐστιν ἀρχή,

πρωτότοκος ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν,

ἵνα γένηται ἐν πᾶσιν αὐτὸς πρωτεύων,

**19** ὅτι ἐν αὐτῷ εὐδόκησεν πᾶν τὸ πλήρωμα κατοικῆσαι

**20** καὶ δι' αὐτοῦ ἀποκαταλλάξαι τὰ πάντα εἰς αὐτόν,

εἰρηνοποιήσας διὰ τοῦ αἵματος τοῦ σταυροῦ αὐτοῦ,

δι' αὐτοῦ εἴτε τὰ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς

εἴτε τὰ ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς.

**21** Καὶ ὑμᾶς ποτε ὄντας ἀπηλλοτριωμένους καὶ ἐχθροὺς τῇ διανοίᾳ ἐν τοῖς

ἔργοις τοῖς πονηροῖς, **22** νυνὶ δὲ ἀποκατήλλαξεν ἐν τῷ σώματι τῆς σαρκὸς

αὐτοῦ διὰ τοῦ θανάτου παραστήσαι ὑμᾶς ἁγίους καὶ ἀμώμους καὶ

ἀνεγκλήτους κατενώπιον αὐτοῦ, **23** εἴ γε ἐπιμένετε τῇ πίστει

τεθεμελιωμένοι καὶ ἐδραῖοι καὶ μὴ μετακινούμενοι ἀπὸ τῆς ἐλπίδος τοῦ

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εὐαγγελίου οὗ ἠκούσατε, τοῦ κηρυχθέντος ἐν πάσῃ κτίσει τῇ ὑπὸ τὸν οὐρανόν, οὗ ἐγενόμην ἐγὼ Παῦλος διάκονος.

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**15** He is the image of the invisible God,

the firstborn over all creation.

**16** For everything was created by him,

in heaven and on earth,

the visible and the invisible,

whether thrones or dominions

or rulers or authorities—

all things have been created through him and for him.

**17** He is before all things,

and by him all things hold together.

**18** He is also the head of the body, the church;

he is the beginning,

the firstborn from the dead,

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so that he might come to have  
first place in everything.

**19** For God was pleased to have

all his fullness dwell in him,

**20** and through him to reconcile

everything to himself,

whether things on earth or things in heaven,

by making peace

through his blood, shed on the cross.

**21** Once you were alienated and hostile in your minds as expressed in your

evil actions. **22** But now he has reconciled you by his physical body through

his death, to present you holy, faultless, and blameless before him— **23** if

indeed you remain grounded and steadfast in the faith and are not shifted

away from the hope of the gospel that you heard. This gospel has been

proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and I, Paul, have become a servant

of it.

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**15 He** [ὃς; G3739: ὃς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular masculine nominative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **is** [ἐστίν; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians**] **the image** [εἰκὼν; G1504: εἰκών; *eikon*; noun: singular feminine nominative; 1. a likeness 2. (literally) statue, profile 3. (figuratively) representation, resemblance; occurs 23x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:15; 3:10**] **of the** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **invisible** [ἀόρατου; G517: ἀόρατος; *aoratos*; adjective: singular masculine genitive; 1. invisible; occurs 5x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:15; 1:16**] [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **God** [θεοῦ; G2316: θεός; *theos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 1,311x in the NA28 and 21x in **Colossians**],

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**the firstborn** [πρωτότοκος; G4416: πρωτότοκος; *prototokos*; adjective: singular masculine nominative superlative; 1. first-born; occurs 8x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:15; 1:18**] **over all** [πάνσης; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular feminine genitive; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **creation** [κτίσεως; G2937: κτίσις; *ktisis*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. original formation 2. (properly) the act 3. (by implication) the thing; occurs 19x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:15; 1:23**].

**16 For** [ὅτι; G3754: ὅτι; *hoti*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. (demonstrative) that (sometimes redundant) 2. (causative) because; occurs 1,283x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16; 1:19; 2:9; 3:24; 4:1; 4:13**] **τὰ** G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **everything** [πάντα; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: plural neuter nominative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **was created** [ἐκτίσθη; G2936: κτίζω; *ktizo*; verb: third singular aorist passive indicative; 1. to fabricate, i.e., found (form



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originally); occurs 15x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16 (2); 3:10**] **by** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **him** [αὐτῷ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**],

**in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] [τοῖς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **heaven** [οὐρανοῖς; G3772: οὐρανός; *ouranos*; noun: plural masculine dative; 1. the sky 2. (by extension) heaven (as the abode of God) 3. (by implication) happiness, power, eternity 4. (specially) the Gospel (Christianity); occurs 272x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5; 1:16; 1:20; 1:23; 4:1**] **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **on** [ἐπὶ; G1909: ἐπί; *epi*; preposition; 1. (properly) meaning superimposition (of time, place, order, etc.) 2. (genitive case) as a relation of distribution (over, upon, etc.) 3. (dative case) of

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rest (at, on, etc.) 4. (accusative case) of direction (towards, upon, etc.); occurs 878x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16; 1:20; 3:2; 3:5; 3:6; 3:14**] [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **earth** [γῆς; G1093: γῆ; *ge*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. soil 2. (by extension) a region, or the solid part or the whole of the earthly globe (including the occupants in each application); occurs 248x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16; 1:20; 3:2; 3:5**], **the** [τὰ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **visible** [ὀρατὰ; G3707: ὀρατός; *horatos*; adjective: plural neuter nominative; 1. gazed at 2. (by implication) capable of being seen; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16**] **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **the** [τὰ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **invisible** [ἀόρατα; G517: ἀόρατος; *aoratos*;

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adjective: plural neuter nominative; 1. invisible; occurs 5x in the NA28; occurs in

**Colossians 1:15; 1:16],**

**whether** [εἴτε; G1535: εἴτε; *eite*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. if too;

occurs 65x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16 (4); 1:20 (2)]** **thrones**

[θρόνοι; G2362: θρόνος; *thronos*; noun: plural masculine nominative; 1. a

stately seat, "throne" 2. (by implication) power 3. (concretely) a potentate,

sovereign, or ruler; occurs 62x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16]** **or** [εἴτε;

G1535: εἴτε; *eite*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. if too; occurs 65x in the

NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16 (4); 1:20 (2)]** **dominions** [κυριότητες;

G2963: κυριότης; *kuriotes*; noun: plural feminine nominative; 1. mastery 2.

(concretely and collectively) rulers; occurs 4x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians**

**1:16]**

**or** [εἴτε; G1535: εἴτε; *eite*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. if too; occurs

65x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16 (4); 1:20 (2)]** **rulers** [ἀρχαὶ; G746:

ἀρχή; *arche*; noun: plural feminine nominative; 1. (properly abstract) a

commencement 2. (concretely) chief (in various applications of order, time,

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place, or rank); occurs 55x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16; 1:18; 2:10;**

**2:15]** **or** [εἴτε; G1535: εἴτε; *eite*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. if too;

occurs 65x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16 (4); 1:20 (2)]** **authorities**

[ἐξουσίαι; G1849: ἐξουσία; *exousia*; noun: plural feminine nominative; 1.

privilege 2. (subjectively) force, capacity, competency, freedom 3. (objectively)

mastery (concretely, magistrate, superhuman, potentate, token of control),

delegated influence; occurs 102x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:13; 1:16;**

**2:10; 2:15]–**

[τὰ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter nominative; 1. the; occurs

19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **all** [πάντα; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*;

adjective: plural neuter nominative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x

in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians]** **things have been created** [ἐκτίσται;

G2936: κτίζω; *ktizo*; verb: third singular perfect passive indicative; 1. to

fabricate, i.e., found (form originally); occurs 15x in the NA28; occurs in

**Colossians 1:16 (2); 3:10]** **through** [δι; G1223: διά; *dia*; preposition; 1.

through; occurs 665x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians]** **him** [αὐτοῦ; G846:

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αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians** **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians** **for** [εἰς; G1519: εἰς; *eis*; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians** **him** [αὐτόν; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine accusative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**].



**17** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians** **He** [αὐτός; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine nominative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians** **is** [ἐστίν; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians** **before** [πρὸ; G4253: πρὸ; *pro*; preposition; 1. "fore", i.e., in front of, prior to 2. (figuratively) superior to; occurs 47x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:17** **all** [πάντων; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: plural

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masculine genitive; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **things**, **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **by** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **him** [αὐτῷ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] [τὰ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **all** [πάντα; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: plural neuter nominative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **things hold together** [συνέστηκεν; G4921: συνιστάω; *sunistao*; verb: third singular perfect active indicative; 1. to set together 2. (by implication) to introduce (favorably) 3. (figuratively) to exhibit 4. (intransitively) to stand near 5. (figuratively) to constitute; occurs 16x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:17**].

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**18 He** [αὐτός; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine nominative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] **is** [ἐστίν; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians**] **also** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **the** [ἡ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **head** [κεφαλὴ; G2776: κεφαλὴ; *kephale*; noun: singular feminine nominative; 1. the head (as the part most readily taken hold of); occurs 75x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 2:10; 2:19**] **of the** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **body** [σώματος; G4983: σῶμα; *soma*; noun: singular neuter genitive; 1. the body (as a sound whole); occurs 138x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 1:22; 1:24; 2:11; 2:17; 2:19; 2:23; 3:15**], **the** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **church** [ἐκκλησίας; G1577: ἐκκλησία;

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*ekklesia*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. (properly) a "calling out" 2. (concretely) a called out assembly of citizens 3. (specifically, of Christ) the community of the Redeemed of Christ whether being on earth or in heaven or both; occurs 114x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 1:24; 4:15; 4:16**];

**he** [ὁς; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular masculine nominative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **is** [ἐστίν; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians**] **the beginning** [ἀρχή; G746: ἀρχή; *arche*; noun: singular feminine nominative; 1. (properly abstract) a commencement 2. (concretely) chief (in various applications of order, time, place, or rank); occurs 55x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16; 1:18; 2:10; 2:15**],

**the firstborn** [πρωτότοκος; G4416: πρωτότοκος; *prototokos*; adjective: singular masculine nominative superlative; 1. first-born; occurs 8x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:15; 1:18**] **from** [ἐκ; G1537: ἐκ; *ek*; preposition; 1. from (the point whence action or motion proceeds) 2. out (of place, time, or cause);

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occurs 907x in the NA28 and 11x in **Colossians** **the** [τῶν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians** **dead** [νεκρῶν; G3498: νεκρός; *nekros*; adjective: plural masculine genitive; 1. dead; occurs 126x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 2:12; 2:13**],

**so that** [ἵνα; G2443: ἵνα; *hina*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. in order that (denoting the purpose or the result); occurs 663x in the NA28 and 13x in **Colossians** **he** [αὐτός; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine nominative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians** **might come to have** [γένηται; G1096: γίνομαι; *ginomai*; verb: third singular second aorist middle deponent subjunctive; 1. to cause to be ("gen"-erate) 2. (reflexively) to become (come into being); occurs 653x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 1:23; 1:25; 3:15; 4:11**]

**first** [πρωτεύων; G4409: πρωτεύω; *proteuo*; verb: singular masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to be first (in rank or influence); occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18** **place in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*;

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preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in

**Colossians] [πᾶσιν; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: plural neuter dative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians]**.**

**19 For** [ὅτι; G3754: ὅτι; *hoti*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. (demonstrative) that (sometimes redundant) 2. (causative) because; occurs 1,283x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16; 1:19; 2:9; 3:24; 4:1; 4:13]**



**God was pleased** [εὐδόκησεν; G2106: εὐδοκέω; *eudokeo*; verb: third singular aorist active indicative; 1. to think well of, i.e., approve (an act) 2. (specially) to approve officially (a person or thing); occurs 21x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:19]** **to have**

**all** [πᾶν; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular neuter nominative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians]** **his** [τὸ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **fullness** [πλήρωμα; G4138: πλήρωμα; *pleroma*; noun: singular neuter nominative; 1. repletion or completion 2.

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(subjectively) what fills (as contents, supplement, copiousness, multitude) 3.  
 (objectively) what is filled (as container, performance, period); occurs 17x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:19; 2:9**  **dwell** [κατοικῆσαι; G2730: κατοικέω; *katoikeo*; verb: aorist active infinitive; 1. to house permanently, i.e., reside; occurs 45x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:19; 2:9**  **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἔν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**]  **him** [αὐτῷ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**],  
 ★ **20 and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**]  **through** [δι; G1223: διά; *dia*; preposition; 1. through; occurs 665x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**]  **him** [αὐτοῦ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**]  **to reconcile** [ἀποκαταλλάξαι; G604: ἀποκαταλλάσσω; *apokatalasso*; verb: aorist active infinitive; 1. to reconcile fully; occurs 3x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:20; 1:22**]

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[τὰ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **everything** [πάντα; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: plural neuter accusative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **to** [εἰς; G1519: εἰς; *eis*; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians**] **himself** [αὐτόν; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine accusative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**],

[δι; G1223: διὰ; *dia*; preposition; 1. through; occurs 665x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] [αὐτοῦ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] **whether** [εἴτε; G1535: εἴτε; *eite*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. if too; occurs 65x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16 (4); 1:20 (2)**] **things** [τὰ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **on** [ἐν; G1909: ἐν; *epi*; preposition; 1.

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(properly) meaning superimposition (of time, place, order, etc.) 2. (genitive case) as a relation of distribution (over, upon, etc.) 3. (dative case) of rest (at, on, etc.) 4. (accusative case) of direction (towards, upon, etc.); occurs 878x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16; 1:20; 3:2; 3:5; 3:6; 3:14** [**τῆς**; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **earth** [**γῆς**; G1093: γῆ; *ge*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. soil 2. (by extension) a region, or the solid part or the whole of the earthly globe (including the occupants in each application); occurs 248x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16; 1:20; 3:2; 3:5** **or** [**εἴτε**; G1535: εἴτε; *eite*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. if too; occurs 65x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16 (4); 1:20 (2)**] **things** [**τὰ**; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **in** [**ἐν**; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] [**τοῖς**; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **heaven** [**οὐρανοῖς**; G3772: οὐρανός; *ouranos*; noun: plural masculine dative; 1.

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the sky 2. (by extension) heaven (as the abode of God) 3. (by implication) happiness, power, eternity 4. (specially) the Gospel (Christianity); occurs 272x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5; 1:16; 1:20; 1:23; 4:1**,

**by making peace** [εἰρηνοποιήσας; G1517: εἰρηνοποιέω; *eirenopoieo*; verb: singular masculine nominative aorist active participle; 1. to be a peace-maker 2. (figuratively) to harmonize; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:20**]

**through** [διὰ; G1223: διά; *dia*; preposition; 1. through; occurs 665x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] **his** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **blood** [αἵματος; G129: αἷμα; *haima*; noun: singular neuter genitive; 1. blood 2. (literally) of men or animals 3. (figuratively) the juice of grapes 4. (specially) the atoning blood of Christ 5. (by implication) bloodshed, also kindred; occurs 97x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:20**], **shed on** [αὐτοῦ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] **the** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**]

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**cross** [σταυροῦ; G4716: σταυρός; *stauros*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a stake or post (as set upright) 2. (specially) a pole or cross (as an instrument of capital punishment) 3. (figuratively) exposure to death, i.e., self-denial 4. (by implication) the atonement of Christ; occurs 27x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:20; 2:14**].<sup>G</sup>



**21** [**Kaì**; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **Once** [**ποτε**; G4218: ποτέ; *pote*; disjunctive particle; 1. indefinite adverb, at some time, ever; occurs 29x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:21; 3:7**] **you** [ὑμᾶς; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural accusative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] **were** [ὄντας; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: plural masculine accusative present active participle; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians**] **alienated** [ἀπηλλοτριωμένους; G526: ἀπαλλοτριόω; *apallotrioō*; verb: plural masculine accusative perfect passive participle; 1. to estrange away 2. (passively and figuratively) to be non-

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<sup>G</sup> Other mss add *through him*

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participant; occurs 3x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:21**] **and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **hostile** [ἐχθροὺς; G2190: ἐχθρός; *echthros*; adjective: plural masculine accusative; 1. hateful 2. (passively) odious 3. (actively) hostile 4. (usually as a noun) an enemy (especially Satan); occurs 32x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:21**] **in your** [τῇ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **minds** [διανοίᾳ; G1271: διάνοια; *dianoia*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. deep thought, contemplation 2. (properly) the mind (or its disposition), the faculty 3. (by implication) its exercise, i.e., purposeful mental activity; occurs 12x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:21**] **as expressed in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **your** [τοῖς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **evil** [πονηροῖς; G4190: πονηρός; *poneros*; adjective: plural neuter dative; 1. hurtful, i.e., evil 2. (figuratively) calamitous 3. (passively) ill, i.e., diseased 4. (especially,

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morally) culpable, i.e., derelict, vicious, atrociously wicked 5. (neuter, singular) mischief, malice 6. (neuter plural) guilt 7. (masculine, singular) the devil 8. (plural) sinners; occurs 78x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:21**] [τοῖς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **actions** [ἔργοις; G2041: ἔργον; *ergon*; noun: plural neuter dative; 1. toil (as an effort or occupation) 2. (by implication) an act; occurs 168x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:10; 1:21; 3:17**]. **22 But** [δέ; G1161: δέ; *de*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. but, and, etc.; occurs 2,755x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 1:26; 2:17; 3:8; 3:14**] **now** [νυνί; G3570: νυνί; *nuni*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. just now; occurs 20x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 3:8**] **he has reconciled** [ἀποκατήλλαξεν; G604: ἀποκαταλλάσσω; *apokatallasso*; verb: third singular aorist active indicative; 1. to reconcile fully; occurs 3x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:20; 1:22**] **you by** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (upon, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **his** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the



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NA28 and 262x in **Colossians** **physical** [σὰρκος; G4561: σάρξ; *sarx*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. flesh (as stripped of the skin) 2. (strictly) the meat of an animal (as food) 3. (by extension) the body (as opposed to the soul (or spirit), or as the symbol of what is external, or as the means of kindred) 4. (by implication) human nature (with its frailties (physically or morally) and passions) 5. (specially) a human being (as such); occurs 146x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 1:24; 2:1; 2:5; 2:11; 2:13; 2:18; 2:23; 3:22**] [τῷ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **body** [σώματι; G4983: σῶμα; *soma*; noun: singular neuter dative; 1. the body (as a sound whole); occurs 138x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 1:22; 1:24; 2:11; 2:17; 2:19; 2:23; 3:15**] **through** [διὰ; G1223: διά; *dia*; preposition; 1. through; occurs 665x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] **his** [αὐτοῦ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **death** [θανάτου; G2288:

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θάνατος; *thanatos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. death; occurs 119x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22**, **to present** [παραστήσαι; G3936: παρίστημι; *paristemi*; verb: aorist active infinitive; 1. to stand beside 2. (transitively) to exhibit, proffer 3. (specially) recommend 4. (figuratively) substantiate 5. (intransitively) to be at hand (or ready), aid; occurs 41x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 1:28** **you** [ὑμᾶς; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural accusative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] **holy** [ἁγίους; G40: ἅγιος; *hagios*; adjective: plural masculine accusative; 1. sacred 2. (physically) pure 3. (morally) blameless 4. (religious, ceremonially) consecrated; occurs 233x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:4; 1:12; 1:22; 1:26; 3:12**, [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **faultless** [ἀμώμους; G299: ἄμωμος; *amomos*; adjective: plural masculine accusative; 1. unblemished; occurs 9x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22**, **and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in

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**Colossians]** **blameless** [ἀνεγκλήτους; G410: ἀνέγκλητος; *anegkletos*;

adjective: plural masculine accusative; 1. unaccused 2. (by implication)

irreproachable, blameless; occurs 5x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22]**

**before** [κατενώπιον; G2714: κατενώπιον; *katenopion*; adverb or adverb and

particle combined; 1. directly in front of; occurs 3x in the NA28; occurs in

**Colossians 1:22]** **him** [αὐτοῦ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular

masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians]**–

**23 if** [εἰ; G1487: εἰ; *ei*; conditional particle or conjunction; 1. if, whether, that,

etc.; occurs 499x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:23; 2:5; 2:20; 3:1]**

**indeed** [γε; G1065: γέ; *ge*; disjunctive particle; 1. of emphasis or qualification;

occurs 25x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:23]** **you remain** [ἐπιμένετε;

G1961: ἐπιμένω; *epimeno*; verb: second plural present active indicative; 1. to

stay over, i.e., remain 2. (figuratively) persevere; occurs 16x in the NA28; occurs

in **Colossians 1:23]** **grounded** [τεθεμελιωμένοι; G2311: θεμελιόω; *themelioo*;

verb: plural masculine nominative perfect passive participle; 1. to lay a basis for

2. (literally) to erect 3. (figuratively) to consolidate; occurs 5x in the NA28; occurs



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in **Colossians 1:23**] **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **steadfast** [ἑδραῖοι; G1476: ἑδραῖος; *hedraios*; adjective: plural masculine nominative; 1. sedentary (characterized by sitting much or long) 2. (by implication) immovable, steadfast; occurs 3x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:23**] **in the** [τῇ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **faith** [πίστει; G4102: πίστις; *pistis*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. persuasion, i.e., credence 2. (morally) conviction (of religious truth, or the truthfulness of God or a religious teacher) 3. (especially) reliance upon Christ for salvation 4. (abstractly) constancy in such profession 5. (by extension) the system of religious (Gospel) truth itself; occurs 243x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:23; 2:5; 2:7; 2:12**] **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **are not** [μὴ; G3361: μή; *me*; negative particle; 1. (adverb) not 2. (conjunction) lest 3. (interrogative) whether; occurs 1,040x in the NA28; occurs

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in **Colossians 1:23; 2:8; 2:16; 2:21; 3:2; 3:9; 3:19; 3:21 (2); 3:22**] **shifted away** [μετακινούμενοι; G3334: μετακινέω; *metakineo*; verb: plural masculine nominative present passive participle; 1. to stir to a place elsewhere, i.e., remove (figuratively); occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:23**] **from** [ἀπό; G575: ἀπό; *apo*; preposition; 1. "off," i.e., away (from something near), in various senses (of place, time, or relation); occurs 633x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:6; 1:7; 1:9; 1:23; 1:26 (2); 2:20; 3:24**] **the** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **hope** [ἐλπίδος; G1680: ἐλπίς; *elpis*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. expectation 2. (abstractly or concretely) confidence; occurs 53x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5; 1:23; 1:27**] **of the** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **gospel** [εὐαγγελίου; G2098: εὐαγγέλιον; *euaggelion*; noun: singular neuter genitive; 1. (properly) a good message 2. (specially) the good news of redemption through Jesus (i.e., the gospel of Jesus) 3. (also called) the good news; occurs 76x in the NA28; occurs

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in **Colossians 1:5; 1:23** **that you** [οὗ; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular neuter genitive; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **heard** [ἠκούσατε; G191: ἀκούω; *akouo*; verb: second plural aorist active indicative; 1. to hear; occurs 429x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:6; 1:9; 1:23**].

**This gospel has been** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **proclaimed** [κηρυχθέντος; G2784: κηρύσσω; *kerusso*; verb: singular neuter genitive aorist passive participle; 1. to herald (as a public crier), especially divine truth (the gospel); occurs 60x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:23**] **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **all** [πάντη; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular feminine dative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] [τῇ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **creation** [κτίσει; G2937: κτίσις; *ktisis*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. original formation 2. (properly)

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the act 3. (by implication) the thing; occurs 19x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:15; 1:23** **under** [ὕπὸ; G5259: ὑπό; *hupo*; preposition; 1. under 2. (with the genitive case) of place (beneath), or with verbs (the agency or means, through) 3. (with the accusative case) of place (whither (underneath) or where (below) or time (when (at))). In the comparative, it retains the same general applications, especially of inferior position or condition, and specially, covertly or moderately.; occurs 220x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:23; 2:18**] [τὸν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **heaven** [οὐρανόν; G3772: οὐρανός; *ouranos*; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. the sky 2. (by extension) heaven (as the abode of God) 3. (by implication) happiness, power, eternity 4. (specially) the Gospel (Christianity); occurs 272x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5; 1:16; 1:20; 1:23; 4:1**, **and I** [ἐγὼ; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first singular nominative; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians**], **Paul** [Παῦλος; G3972: Παῦλος; *Paulos*; noun: singular masculine nominative; 1. little 2. Paulus, the

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name of a Roman and of an apostle; occurs 158x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:1; 1:23; 4:18**], **have become** [ἐγενόμην; G1096: γίνομαι; *ginomai*; verb: first singular second aorist middle deponent indicative; 1. to cause to be ("gen"-erate) 2. (reflexively) to become (come into being); occurs 653x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 1:23; 1:25; 3:15; 4:11**] **a servant** [διάκονος; G1249: διάκονος; *diakonos*; noun: singular masculine nominative; 1. an attendant, a servant 2. (genitive case) a waiter (at table or in other menial duties) 3. (specially) a male Christian serving in a specific function and post (i.e., tending the widows and the poor, teaching, pastoring, etc.); occurs 29x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:7; 1:23; 1:25; 4:7**] **of it** [οὗ; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular neuter genitive; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**].

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## Colossians 1:24-2:3: Paul's Ministry

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**24** Νῦν χαίρω ἐν τοῖς παθήμασιν ὑπὲρ ὑμῶν καὶ ἀνταναπληρῶ τὰ ὑστερήματα τῶν θλίψεων τοῦ Χριστοῦ ἐν τῇ σαρκί μου ὑπὲρ τοῦ σώματος αὐτοῦ, ὃ ἐστὶν ἡ ἐκκλησία, **25** ἥς ἐγενόμην ἐγὼ διάκονος κατὰ τὴν οἰκονομίαν τοῦ θεοῦ τὴν δοθεῖσάν μοι εἰς ὑμᾶς πληρῶσαι τὸν λόγον τοῦ θεοῦ, **26** τὸ μυστήριον τὸ ἀποκεκρυμμένον ἀπὸ τῶν αἰώνων καὶ ἀπὸ τῶν γενεῶν—νῦν δὲ ἐφανερώθη τοῖς ἁγίοις αὐτοῦ, **27** οἷς ἠθέλησεν ὁ θεὸς γνωρίσαι τί τὸ πλοῦτος τῆς δόξης τοῦ μυστηρίου τούτου ἐν τοῖς ἔθνεσιν, ὃ ἐστὶν Χριστὸς ἐν ὑμῖν, ἡ ἐλπίς τῆς δόξης· **28** ὃν ἡμεῖς καταγγέλλομεν νοουθετοῦντες πάντα ἄνθρωπον καὶ διδάσκοντες πάντα ἄνθρωπον ἐν πάσῃ

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σοφία, ἵνα παραστήσωμεν πάντα ἄνθρωπον τέλειον ἐν Χριστῷ· **29** εἰς ὃ καὶ κοπιῶ ἀγωνιζόμενος κατὰ τὴν ἐνέργειαν αὐτοῦ τὴν ἐνεργουμένην ἐν ἐμοὶ ἐν δυνάμει.

**1** Θέλω γὰρ ὑμᾶς εἰδέναι ἡλίκον ἀγῶνα ἔχω ὑπὲρ ὑμῶν καὶ τῶν ἐν Λαοδικείᾳ καὶ ὅσοι οὐχ ἑώρακαν τὸ πρόσωπόν μου ἐν σαρκί, **2** ἵνα παρακληθῶσιν αἱ καρδίαι αὐτῶν συμβιβασθέντες ἐν ἀγάπῃ καὶ εἰς πᾶν πλοῦτος τῆς πληροφορίας τῆς συνέσεως, εἰς ἐπίγνωσιν τοῦ μυστηρίου τοῦ θεοῦ, Χριστοῦ, **3** ἐν ᾧ εἰσιν πάντες οἱ θησαυροὶ τῆς σοφίας καὶ γνώσεως ἀπόκρυφοι.

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**24** Now I rejoice in my sufferings for you, and I am completing in my flesh what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for his body, that is, the church. **25** I have become its servant, according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, **26** the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. **27** God wanted to make known among the Gentiles the glorious wealth of this mystery, which

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is Christ in you, the hope of glory. **28** We proclaim him, warning and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ. **29** I labor for this, striving with his strength that works powerfully in me.

**1** For I want you to know how greatly I am struggling for you, for those in Laodicea, and for all who have not seen me in person. **2** I want their hearts to be encouraged and joined together in love, so that they may have all the riches of complete understanding and have the knowledge of God's mystery—Christ. **3** In him are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

### Word-by-word analysis

**24 Now** [**Nūv**; G3568: *vūv*; *nun*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1.

"now"; occurs 147x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:24; 1:26**] **I rejoice**

[**χαίρω**; G5463: *χαίρω*; *chairō*; verb: first singular present active indicative; 1. to

be "cheer"ful, i.e., calmly happy or well-off 2. (impersonally, especially) as

salutation (on meeting or parting), be well; occurs 74x in the NA28; occurs in



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**Colossians 1:24; 2:5]** **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἔν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians]** **my** [τοῖς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **sufferings** [παθήμασιν; G3804: πάθημα; *pathema*; noun: plural neuter dative; 1. something undergone, i.e., hardship or pain 2. (subjectively) an emotion or influence; occurs 16x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:24]** **for** [ὑπέρ; G5228: ὑπέρ; *hyper*; preposition; 1. "over" 2. (with the genitive case) of place, above, beyond, across, or causal, for the sake of, instead, regarding 3. (with the accusative case) superior to, more than; occurs 152x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:7; 1:9; 1:24 (2); 2:1; 4:12; 4:13]** **you** [ὑμῶν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural genitive; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians]**, **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians]** **I am completing** [ἀντανανληρῶ; G466: ἀντανανληρόω; *antanapleroo*; verb: first singular present active indicative; 1. to supplement; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:24]** **in** [ἐν; G1722:

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ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians** **my** [μου; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first singular genitive; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians**] [τῇ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **flesh** [σαρκί; G4561: σᾶρξ; *sarx*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. flesh (as stripped of the skin) 2. (strictly) the meat of an animal (as food) 3. (by extension) the body (as opposed to the soul (or spirit), or as the symbol of what is external, or as the means of kindred) 4. (by implication) human nature (with its frailties (physically or morally) and passions) 5. (specially) a human being (as such); occurs 146x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 1:24; 2:1; 2:5; 2:11; 2:13; 2:18; 2:23; 3:22**] **what is** [τὰ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **lacking** [ὑστερήματα; G5303: ὑστέρημα; *husterema*; noun: plural neuter accusative; 1. a deficit 2. (specially) poverty; occurs 9x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:24**] **in** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x

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in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians** **Christ's** [Χριστοῦ; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, ἡ ἰουδαία; occurs 525x in the NA28 and 25x in **Colossians**] [τῶν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **afflictions** [θλίψεων; G2347: θλίψις; *thlipsis*; noun: plural feminine genitive; 1. pressure; occurs 45x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:24**] **for** [ὑπὲρ; G5228: ὑπέρ; *hyper*; preposition; 1. "over" 2. (with the genitive case) of place, above, beyond, across, or causal, for the sake of, instead, regarding 3. (with the accusative case) superior to, more than; occurs 152x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:7; 1:9; 1:24 (2); 2:1; 4:12; 4:13**] **his** [αὐτοῦ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **body** [σώματος; G4983:

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σῶμα; *soma*; noun: singular neuter genitive; 1. the body (as a sound whole); occurs 138x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 1:22; 1:24; 2:11; 2:17; 2:19; 2:23; 3:15**], **that** [ὃ; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular neuter nominative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **is** [ἐστίν; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians**], **the** [ἡ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **church** [ἐκκλησία; G1577: ἐκκλησία; *ekklesia*; noun: singular feminine nominative; 1. (properly) a "calling out" 2. (concretely) a called out assembly of citizens 3. (specifically, of Christ) the community of the Redeemed of Christ whether being on earth or in heaven or both; occurs 114x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 1:24; 4:15; 4:16**]. **25** [ἥς; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular feminine genitive; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **I** [ἐγώ; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first singular



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nominative; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians**] **have become** [ἐγενόμην; G1096: γίνομαι; *ginomai*; verb: first singular second aorist middle deponent indicative; 1. to cause to be ("generate") 2. (reflexively) to become (come into being); occurs 653x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 1:23; 1:25; 3:15; 4:11**] **its servant** [δίακονος; G1249: διάκονος; *diakonos*; noun: singular masculine nominative; 1. an attendant, a servant 2. (genitive case) a waiter (at table or in other menial duties) 3. (specially) a male Christian serving in a specific function and post (i.e., tending the widows and the poor, teaching, pastoring, etc.); occurs 29x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:7; 1:23; 1:25; 4:7**], **according to** [κατά; G2596: κατά; *kata*; preposition; 1. (prepositionally) down (in place or time); occurs 472x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **God's** [θεοῦ; G2316: θεός; *theos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 1,311x in the NA28 and 21x in **Colossians**] [τῆν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine

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accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **commission** [οἰκονομίαν; G3622: οἰκονομία; *oikonomia*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. administration (of a household or estate) 2. (specially) a (religious) "economy"; occurs 9x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:25**] **that** [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **was given** [δοθεῖσάν; G1325: δίδωμι; *didomi*; verb: singular feminine accusative aorist passive participle; 1. to give; occurs 415x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:25**] **to me** [μοι; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first singular dative; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians**] **for** [εἰς; G1519: εἰς; *eis*; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians**] **you** [ὑμᾶς; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural accusative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**], **to make** [πληρῶσαι; G4137: πληρόω; *pleroo*; verb: aorist active infinitive; 1. to fully, completely fill 2. (literally) to cram (a net), level up (a hollow) 3. (figuratively)

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to fully supply, satisfy, execute (an office), finish (a period or task), verify (or coincide with a prediction), etc.; occurs 85x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 1:25; 2:10; 4:17**] **the** [τὸν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **word** [λόγον; G3056: λόγος; *logos*; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. something said (including the thought) 2. (by implication) a topic (subject of discourse), also reasoning (the mental faculty) or motive 3. (by extension) a computation 4. (specially, with the article in John) the Divine Expression (i.e., Christ); occurs 327x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5; 1:25; 2:23; 3:16; 3:17; 4:3; 4:6**] **of** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **God** [θεοῦ; G2316: θεός; *theos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 1,311x in the NA28 and 21x in **Colossians**] **fully known, 26 the** [τὸ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **mystery** [μυστήριον; G3466: μυστήριον; *musterion*; noun:



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singular neuter accusative; 1. a secret or "mystery"; occurs 28x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:26; 1:27; 2:2; 4:3**] [τὸ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **hidden** [ἀποκεκρυμμένον; G613: ἀποκρύπτω; *apokrupto*; verb: singular neuter accusative perfect passive participle; 1. to conceal away (i.e., fully) 2. (figuratively) to keep secret; occurs 4x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:26**] **for** [ἀπὸ; G575: ἀπό; *apo*; preposition; 1. "off," i.e., away (from something near), in various senses (of place, time, or relation); occurs 633x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:6; 1:7; 1:9; 1:23; 1:26 (2); 2:20; 3:24**] [τῶν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **ages** [αἰώνων; G165: αἰών; *aion*; noun: plural masculine genitive; 1. (properly) an age 2. (by extension) perpetuity (also past) 3. (by implication) the world 4. (specially, Jewish) a Messianic period (present or future); occurs 123x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:26**] **and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] [ἀπὸ; G575:

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ἀπό; *apo*; preposition; 1. "off," i.e., away (from something near), in various senses (of place, time, or relation); occurs 633x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:6; 1:7; 1:9; 1:23; 1:26 (2); 2:20; 3:24**] [τῶν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **generations** [γενεῶν; G1074: γενεά; *genea*; noun: plural feminine genitive; 1. a generation 2. (by implication) an age (the period or the persons); occurs 43x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:26**] **but** [δὲ; G1161: δέ; *de*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. but, and, etc.; occurs 2,755x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 1:26; 2:17; 3:8; 3:14**] **now** [νῦν; G3568: νῦν; *nun*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. "now"; occurs 147x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:24; 1:26**] **revealed** [ἐφανερώθη; G5319: φανερόω; *phaneroo*; verb: third singular aorist passive indicative; 1. to render apparent; occurs 49x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:26; 3:4 (2); 4:4**] **to his** [αὐτοῦ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] [τοῖς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in

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**Colossians]** **saints** [ἁγίοις; G40: ἅγιος; *hagios*; adjective: plural masculine dative; 1. sacred 2. (physically) pure 3. (morally) blameless 4. (religious, ceremonially) consecrated; occurs 233x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:4; 1:12; 1:22; 1:26; 3:12**]. **27** [ὁ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **God** [θεός; G2316: θεός; *theos*; noun: singular masculine nominative; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 1,311x in the NA28 and 21x in **Colossians]** [οἷς; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: plural masculine dative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians]** **wanted** [ἠθέλησεν; G2309: θέλω; *thelo*; verb: third singular aorist active indicative; 1. to determine, i.e., choose or prefer 2. (by implication) to wish, i.e., be inclined to 3. (sometimes adverbially) gladly 4. (impersonally for the future tense) to be about to 5. (by Hebraism) to delight in; occurs 208x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:27; 2:1; 2:18]** **to make known** [γνωρίσαι; G1107: γνωρίζω; *gnorizo*; verb: aorist active infinitive; 1. to make known 2.



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(subjectively) to know; occurs 25x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:27; 4:7; 4:9** **among** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians** **the** [τοῖς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians** **Gentiles** [ἔθνεσιν; G1484: ἔθνος; *ethnos*; noun: plural neuter dative; 1. a race (as of the same habit), i.e., a tribe 2. (specially) a foreign (non-Jewish) one, Gentiles 3. (usually, by implication) pagan; occurs 161x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:27**] [τί; G5101: τίς; *tis*; interrogative pronoun: singular neuter nominative; 1. an interrogative pronoun, who, which or what (in direct or indirect questions); occurs 551x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:27; 2:20** **the** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians** **glorious** [δόξης; G1391: δόξα; *doxa*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. glory (as very apparent), in a wide application (literal or figurative, objective or subjective); occurs 165x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:11; 1:27 (2); 3:4**] [τὸ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28

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and 262x in **Colossians**] **wealth** [πλοῦτος; G4149: πλοῦτος; *ploutos*; noun: singular neuter nominative; 1. wealth (as fulness) 2. (literally) money, possessions 3. (figuratively) abundance, richness 4. (specially) valuable bestowment; occurs 22x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:27; 2:2**] **of this** [τούτου; G3778: οὗτος; *houtos*; demonstrative pronoun: singular neuter genitive; 1. the he (she or it), i.e., this or that (often with article repeated); occurs 1,362x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 1:27; 2:4; 3:7; 3:14; 3:20; 4:8; 4:11**] [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **mystery** [μυστηρίου; G3466: μυστήριον; *musterion*; noun: singular neuter genitive; 1. a secret or "mystery"; occurs 28x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:26; 1:27; 2:2; 4:3**], **which** [ὃ; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular neuter nominative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **is** [ἐστίν; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians**] **Christ** [Χριστός; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular

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masculine nominative; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, **ישׁוּעַ**, **ישׁוּהוּ**; occurs 525x in the NA28 and 25x in **Colossians**] **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἔν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **you** [ὑμῖν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural dative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**], **the** [ἡ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **hope** [ἐλπίς; G1680: ἐλπίς; *elpis*; noun: singular feminine nominative; 1. expectation 2. (abstractly or concretely) confidence; occurs 53x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5; 1:23; 1:27**] **of** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **glory** [δόξης; G1391: δόξα; *doxa*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. glory (as very apparent), in a wide application (literal or figurative, objective or subjective); occurs 165x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:11; 1:27 (2); 3:4**]. **28 We** [ἡμεῖς; G1473: ἐγώ;



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ego; personal pronoun: first plural nominative; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians**] **proclaim** [**καταγγέλλομεν**; G2605: καταγγέλλω; *kataggello*; verb: first plural present active indicative; 1. to proclaim, promulgate; occurs 18x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:28**] **him** [**ὃν**; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular masculine accusative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**], **warning** [**νουθετοῦντες**; G3560: νουθετέω; *noutheteo*; verb: plural masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to put in mind 2. (by implication) to caution or reprove gently; occurs 8x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:28; 3:16**] [**πάντα**; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular masculine accusative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] [**ἄνθρωπον**; G444: ἄνθρωπος; *anthropos*; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. (properly) man-faced 2. (concretely) a human being (man or female) 3. (generally) all human beings 4. (indefinitely) a man, someone, one; occurs 547x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:28 (3); 2:8; 2:22; 3:9; 3:23**] **and** [**καὶ**;

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G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **teaching** [διδάσκοντες; G1321: διδάσκω; *didasko*; verb: plural masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to teach; occurs 97x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:28; 2:7; 3:16**] **everyone** [πάντα; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular masculine accusative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] [ἄνθρωπον; G444: ἄνθρωπος; *anthropos*; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. (properly) man-faced 2. (concretely) a human being (man or female) 3. (generally) all human beings 4. (indefinitely) a man, someone, one; occurs 547x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:28 (3); 2:8; 2:22; 3:9; 3:23**] **with** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **all** [πάντη; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular feminine dative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **wisdom** [σοφία; G4678: σοφία; *sophia*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. wisdom (higher or lower, worldly or spiritual); occurs 51x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 1:28; 2:3; 2:23;**

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**3:16; 4:5], so that** [ἵνα; G2443: ἵνα; *hina*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. in order that (denoting the purpose or the result); occurs 663x in the NA28 and 13x in **Colossians**] **we may present** [παρστήσωμεν; G3936: παρίστημι; *paristemi*; verb: first plural aorist active subjunctive; 1. to stand beside 2. (transitively) to exhibit, proffer 3. (specially) recommend 4. (figuratively) substantiate 5. (intransitively) to be at hand (or ready), aid; occurs 41x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 1:28**] **everyone** [πάντα; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular masculine accusative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] [ἄνθρωπον; G444: ἄνθρωπος; *anthropos*; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. (properly) man-faced 2. (concretely) a human being (man or female) 3. (generally) all human beings 4. (indefinitely) a man, someone, one; occurs 547x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:28 (3); 2:8; 2:22; 3:9; 3:23**] **mature** [τέλειον; G5046: τέλειος; *teleios*; adjective: singular masculine accusative; 1. complete; occurs 19x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:28; 4:12**] **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**]

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**Christ** [Χριστῷ; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine dative; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, *Ἰησοῦς*; occurs 525x in the NA28 and 25x in **Colossians**]. **29** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **I labor** [κοπιῶ; G2872: κοπιᾶω; *kopiaō*; verb: first singular present active indicative; 1. to feel fatigue 2. (by implication) to work hard; occurs 23x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:29**] **for** [εἰς; G1519: εἰς; *eis*; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians**] **this** [ὃ; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular neuter accusative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**], **striving** [ἀγωνιζόμενος; G75: ἀγωνίζομαι; *agonizomai*; verb: singular masculine nominative present middle or passive deponent

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participle; 1. to struggle 2. (literally) to compete for a prize 3. (figuratively) to contend with an adversary 4. (genitive case) to endeavor to accomplish something; occurs 8x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:29; 4:12** **with** [κατὰ; G2596: κατὰ; *kata*; preposition; 1. (prepositionally) down (in place or time); occurs 472x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] **his** [αὐτοῦ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **strength** [ἐνέργειαν; G1753: ἐνέργεια; *energeia*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. efficiency ("energy"); occurs 8x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:29; 2:12**] **that** [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **works** [ἐνεργουμένην; G1754: ἐνεργέω; *energeo*; verb: singular feminine accusative present middle participle; 1. to be active, efficient; occurs 21x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:29**] [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **powerfully**

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[**δυνάμει**; G1411: δύναμις; *dunamis*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. force 2. (specially) miraculous power 3. (usually by implication) a miracle itself; occurs 118x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:11; 1:29**] **in** [**ἐν**; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **me** [**ἐμοὶ**; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first singular dative; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians**].



**2:1 For** [**γάρ**; G1063: γάρ; *gar*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. (properly) assigning a reason; occurs 1,039x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:1; 2:5; 3:3; 3:20; 3:25; 4:13**] **I want** [**Θέλω**; G2309: θέλω; *thelo*; verb: first singular present active indicative; 1. to determine, i.e., choose or prefer 2. (by implication) to wish, i.e., be inclined to 3. (sometimes adverbially) gladly 4. (impersonally for the future tense) to be about to 5. (by Hebraism) to delight in; occurs 208x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:27; 2:1; 2:18**] **you** [**ὕμᾱς**; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural accusative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] **to know** [**εἰδέναι**; G1492: εἶδω;

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*eido*; verb: perfect active infinitive; 1. (properly) to see 2. (by implication, in the perfect tense only) to know; occurs 317x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:1; 3:24; 4:1; 4:6** **how greatly** [ἡλίκον; G2245: ἡλίκος; *helikos*; adjective: singular masculine accusative; 1. as big as 2. (interjectively) how much; occurs 3x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:1** **I am struggling** [ἀγῶνα; G73: ἀγών; *agon*; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. (properly) a place of assembly (as if led) 2. (by implication) a contest (held there) 3. (figuratively) an effort or anxiety; occurs 6x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:1**] [ἔχω; G2192: ἔχω; *echo*; verb: first singular present active indicative; 1. to hold (such as possession, ability, continuity, relation, or condition); occurs 705x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:14; 2:1; 2:23; 3:13; 4:1; 4:13** **for** [ὑπὲρ; G5228: ὑπέρ; *hyper*; preposition; 1. "over" 2. (with the genitive case) of place, above, beyond, across, or causal, for the sake of, instead, regarding 3. (with the accusative case) superior to, more than; occurs 152x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:7; 1:9; 1:24 (2); 2:1; 4:12; 4:13** **you** [ὑμῶν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural genitive; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in

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**Colossians**], [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **for those** [τῶν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **Laodicea** [Λαοδικεία; G2993: Λαοδίκεια; *Laodikeia*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. Laodicia, a place in Asia Minor; occurs 6x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:1; 4:13; 4:15; 4:16**], **and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **for all who** [ὅσοι; G3745: ὅσος; *hosos*; correlative pronoun: plural masculine nominative; 1. as (much, great, long, etc.) as; occurs 110x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:1**] **have not** [οὐχ; G3756: οὐ; *ou*; negative particle; 1. no or not; occurs 1,614x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 2:1; 2:8; 2:19; 2:23; 3:11; 3:23; 3:25**] **seen** [έόρακαν; G3708: ὁράω; *horao*; verb: third plural perfect active indicative; 1. (properly) to stare at 2. (by implication) to discern clearly (physically or mentally) 3. (by

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extension) to attend to 4. (by Hebraism) to experience 5. (passively) to appear;

occurs 671x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:1; 2:18** [τὸ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*;

definite article: singular neuter accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28

and 262x in **Colossians**] [πρόσωπόν; G4383: πρόσωπον; *prosopon*; noun:

singular neuter accusative; 1. the front (as being towards view), i.e., the

countenance, aspect, appearance, surface 2. (by implication) presence, person;

occurs 75x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:1** **me** [μου; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*;

personal pronoun: first singular genitive; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I;

occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians** **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἔν; *en*;

preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in

**Colossians** **person** [σαρκί; G4561: σάρξ; *sarx*; noun: singular feminine dative;

1. flesh (as stripped of the skin) 2. (strictly) the meat of an animal (as food) 3. (by

extension) the body (as opposed to the soul (or spirit), or as the symbol of what

is external, or as the means of kindred) 4. (by implication) human nature (with its

frailties (physically or morally) and passions) 5. (specially) a human being (as

such); occurs 146x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 1:24; 2:1; 2:5;**

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**2:11; 2:13; 2:18; 2:23; 3:22]. 2** [ἵνα; G2443: ἵνα; *hina*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. in order that (denoting the purpose or the result); occurs 663x in the NA28 and 13x in **Colossians**] **I want their** [αὐτῶν; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: plural masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] [αἱ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural feminine nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **hearts** [καρδία; G2588: καρδία; *kardia*; noun: plural feminine nominative; 1. the heart 2. (figuratively) the thoughts or feelings (mind) 3. (by analogy) the middle; occurs 153x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:2; 3:15; 3:16; 3:22; 4:8**] **to be encouraged** [παρακληθῶσιν; G3870: παρακαλέω; *parakaleo*; verb: third plural aorist passive subjunctive; 1. (properly) to call near (as to receive or give help) 2. to implore, entreat (to urgently ask (for mercy or help)) 3. to exhort (to urgently counsel, encourage or admonish) 4. to comfort; occurs 109x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:2; 4:8**] **and joined together** [συμβιβασθέντες; G4822: συμβιβάζω; *sumbibazo*; verb: plural masculine nominative aorist passive participle; 1. to drive together, i.e., unite (in association or affection),

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(mentally) to infer, show, teach; occurs 7x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:2; 2:19**] **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἔν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **love** [ἀγάπη; G26: ἀγάπη; *agape*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. love, i.e., affection or benevolence 2. (specially, plural) a love-feast; occurs 116x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:8; 1:13; 2:2; 3:14**], **so that** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] [εἰς; G1519: εἰς; *eis*; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians**] **they may have all** [πᾶν; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular neuter accusative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **the riches** [πλοῦτος; G4149: πλοῦτος; *ploutos*; noun: singular neuter accusative; 1. wealth (as fulness) 2. (literally) money, possessions 3. (figuratively) abundance, richness 4. (specially) valuable bestowment; occurs 22x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:27; 2:2**] **of** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine

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genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **complete** [πληροφορίας; G4136: πληροφορία; *plerophoria*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. entire confidence; occurs 4x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:2**]

[τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **understanding** [συνέσεως; G4907: σύνεσις; *sunesis*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. a mental putting together, i.e., intelligence or (concretely) the intellect; occurs 7x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 2:2**] **and have the** [εἰς; G1519: εἰς; *eis*; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians**] **knowledge** [ἐπίγνωσιν; G1922: ἐπίγνωσις; *epignosis*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. recognition 2. (by implication) full discernment, acknowledgement; occurs 20x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 1:10; 2:2; 3:10**] **of** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **God's** [θεοῦ; G2316: θεός; *theos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a

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magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 1,311x in the NA28 and 21x in **Colossians**] **τοῦ**; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **mystery** [**μυστηρίου**; G3466: μυστήριον; *musterion*; noun: singular neuter genitive; 1. a secret or "mystery"; occurs 28x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:26; 1:27; 2:2; 4:3**]—**Christ** [**Χριστοῦ**; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, **ἡ** **ἐν**; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **him** [**ὃς**; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **are** [**εἰσιν**; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third plural present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the




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<sup>H</sup> Other mss read *mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ*; other ms variations exist on this v.

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NA28 and 26x in **Colossians**] **hidden** [ἀπόκρυφοι; G614: ἀπόκρυφος; *apokruphos*; adjective: plural masculine nominative; 1. secret 2. (by implication) treasured; occurs 3x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:3**] **all** [πάντες; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: plural masculine nominative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **the** [οἱ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **treasures** [θησαυροὶ; G2344: θησαυρός; *thesauros*; noun: plural masculine nominative; 1. a deposit, i.e., wealth; occurs 17x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:3**] **of** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **wisdom** [σοφίας; G4678: σοφία; *sophia*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. wisdom (higher or lower, worldly or spiritual); occurs 51x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 1:28; 2:3; 2:23; 3:16; 4:5**] **and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **knowledge** [γνώσεως; G1108:

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γνῶσις; *gnosis*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. knowing (the act) 2. (by implication) knowledge; occurs 29x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:3**].

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## **Colossians 2:4-23**

## Preparing for Colossians 2:4-23

### In-class practice

#### Process Step #1: Pray with others

- **Our attitudes:** Fear, dependence, and expectancy
- **Our actions:** Pray for hearing, illumination, and wisdom
- **Our homework:** Pray for help with the text

#### Process Step #2: Hear with others

- **Our attitudes:** Respect and deference
- **Our actions:** Read the Bible aloud and hear the Bible read aloud
- **Our homework:** Hear the text read aloud

#### Process Step #3: Think with others

- **Our attitudes:** Humility, delight, and steadfastness
- **Our actions:** Think about God's word day and night and think up
- **Our homework:** Think slowly about the text

#### Process Step #4: Study with others

- **Our attitudes:** Resolve, incompleteness, and teachableness
- **Our actions:** Talk to teachers and use available resources
- **Our homework:** Study the text with all available resources

#### Process Step #5: Share with others

- **Our attitudes:** Intention, lowliness, calm, and patience
- **Our actions:** Speak the truth in love and trust God
- **Our homework:** Share with love and trust

### After-class homework

#### Process Step #6: Invite others

- **Our attitudes:** Urgency and obedience
- **Our actions:** Invite those inside and invite those outside
- **Our homework:** Invite everyone

## Colossians 2:4-23: Christ versus the Colossian Heresy

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**4** Τοῦτο λέγω, ἵνα μηδεὶς ὑμᾶς παραλογίζεται ἐν πιθανολογίᾳ. **5** εἰ γὰρ καὶ τῇ σαρκὶ ἄπειμι, ἀλλὰ τῷ πνεύματι σὺν ὑμῖν εἰμι, χαίρων καὶ βλέπων ὑμῶν τὴν τάξιν καὶ τὸ στερέωμα τῆς εἰς Χριστὸν πίστεως ὑμῶν.

**6** Ὡς οὖν παρελάβετε τὸν Χριστὸν Ἰησοῦν τὸν κύριον, ἐν αὐτῷ περιπατεῖτε, **7** ἐρριζωμένοι καὶ ἐποικοδομούμενοι ἐν αὐτῷ καὶ βεβαιούμενοι τῇ πίστει καθὼς ἐδιδάχθητε, περισσεύοντες ἐν εὐχαριστίᾳ. **8** Βλέπετε μὴ τις ὑμᾶς ἔσται ὁ συλαγωγῶν διὰ τῆς φιλοσοφίας καὶ κενῆς ἀπάτης κατὰ τὴν παράδοσιν τῶν ἀνθρώπων, κατὰ τὰ στοιχεῖα τοῦ κόσμου καὶ οὐ κατὰ Χριστόν· **9** ὅτι ἐν αὐτῷ κατοικεῖ πᾶν τὸ πλήρωμα τῆς θεότητος σωματικῶς,

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**10** καὶ ἐστὲ ἐν αὐτῷ πεπληρωμένοι, ὅς ἐστιν ἡ κεφαλὴ πάσης ἀρχῆς καὶ ἐξουσίας. **11** Ἐν ᾧ καὶ περιετμήθητε περιτομῇ ἀχειροποιήτῳ ἐν τῇ ἀπεκδύσει τοῦ σώματος τῆς σαρκός, ἐν τῇ περιτομῇ τοῦ Χριστοῦ, **12** συνταφέντες αὐτῷ ἐν τῷ βαπτισμῷ, ἐν ᾧ καὶ συνηγέρθητε διὰ τῆς πίστεως τῆς ἐνεργείας τοῦ θεοῦ τοῦ ἐγείραντος αὐτὸν ἐκ νεκρῶν. **13** καὶ ὑμᾶς νεκροὺς ὄντας ἐν τοῖς παραπτώμασιν καὶ τῇ ἀκροβυστίᾳ τῆς σαρκὸς ὑμῶν, συνεζωοποίησεν ὑμᾶς σὺν αὐτῷ, χαρισάμενος ἡμῖν πάντα τὰ παραπτώματα. **14** ἐξαλείψας τὸ καθ' ἡμῶν χειρόγραφον τοῖς δόγμασιν ὃ ἦν ὑπεναντίον ἡμῖν, καὶ αὐτὸ ἦρκεν ἐκ τοῦ μέσου προσηλώσας αὐτὸ τῷ σταυρῷ. **15** ἀπεκδυσάμενος τὰς ἀρχὰς καὶ τὰς ἐξουσίας ἐδειγμάτισεν ἐν παρρησίᾳ, θριαμβεύσας αὐτοὺς ἐν αὐτῷ.

**16** Μὴ οὖν τις ὑμᾶς κρινέτω ἐν βρώσει καὶ ἐν πόσει ἢ ἐν μέρει ἑορτῆς ἢ νεομηνίας ἢ σαββάτων. **17** ἃ ἐστὶν σκιὰ τῶν μελλόντων, τὸ δὲ σῶμα τοῦ Χριστοῦ. **18** μηδεὶς ὑμᾶς καταβραβεύετω θέλων ἐν ταπεινοφροσύνῃ καὶ θρησκείᾳ τῶν ἀγγέλων, ἃ ἐόρακεν ἐμβατεύων, εἰκὴ φυσιοῦμενος ὑπὸ τοῦ νοὸς τῆς σαρκὸς αὐτοῦ, **19** καὶ οὐ κρατῶν τὴν κεφαλὴν, ἐξ οὗ πᾶν τὸ σῶμα

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διὰ τῶν ἀφῶν καὶ συνδέσμων ἐπιχορηγούμενον καὶ συμβιβαζόμενον αὖξει τὴν αὖξησιν τοῦ θεοῦ.

**20** Εἰ ἀπεθάνετε σὺν Χριστῷ ἀπὸ τῶν στοιχείων τοῦ κόσμου, τί ὡς ζῶντες ἐν κόσμῳ δογματίζεσθε; **21** μὴ ἄψη μηδὲ γεύση μηδὲ θίγης, **22** ἃ ἐστὶν πάντα εἰς φθορὰν τῇ ἀποχρήσει, κατὰ τὰ ἐντάλματα καὶ διδασκαλίας τῶν ἀνθρώπων, **23** ἃτινὰ ἐστὶν λόγον μὲν ἔχοντα σοφίας ἐν ἐθελοθρησκίᾳ καὶ ταπεινοφροσύνῃ καὶ ἀφειδίᾳ σώματος, οὐκ ἐν τιμῇ τινὶ πρὸς πλησμονὴν τῆς σαρκός.

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**4** I am saying this so that no one will deceive you with arguments that sound reasonable. **5** For I may be absent in body, but I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see how well ordered you are and the strength of your faith in Christ.

**6** So then, just as you have received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to walk in him, **7** being rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, and overflowing with gratitude.

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**8** Be careful that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit based on human tradition, based on the elements of the world, rather than Christ. **9** For the entire fullness of God's nature dwells bodily in Christ, **10** and you have been filled by him, who is the head over every ruler and authority. **11** You were also circumcised in him with a circumcision not done with hands, by putting off the body of flesh, in the circumcision of Christ, **12** when you were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead. **13** And when you were dead in trespasses and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, he made you alive with him and forgave us all our trespasses. **14** He erased the certificate of debt, with its obligations, that was against us and opposed to us, and has taken it away by nailing it to the cross. **15** He disarmed the rulers and authorities and disgraced them publicly; he triumphed over them in him.

**16** Therefore, don't let anyone judge you in regard to food and drink or in the matter of a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath day. **17** These are a

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shadow of what was to come; the substance is Christ. **18** Let no one condemn you by delighting in ascetic practices and the worship of angels, claiming access to a visionary realm. Such people are inflated by empty notions of their unspiritual mind. **19** They don't hold on to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and tendons, grows with growth from God.

**20** If you died with Christ to the elements of this world, why do you live as if you still belonged to the world? Why do you submit to regulations: **21** "Don't handle, don't taste, don't touch"? **22** All these regulations refer to what is destined to perish by being used up; they are human commands and doctrines. **23** Although these have a reputation for wisdom by promoting self-made religion, false humility, and severe treatment of the body, they are not of any value in curbing self-indulgence.



### Word-by-word analysis

**4 I am saying** [λέγω; G3004: λέγω; *lego*; verb: first singular present active indicative; 1. (properly) to "lay" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication)

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to mean; occurs 2,226x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:4; 4:11; 4:17**] **this** [**Τοῦτο**; G3778: οὗτος; *houtos*; demonstrative pronoun: singular neuter accusative; 1. the he (she or it), i.e., this or that (often with article repeated); occurs 1,362x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 1:27; 2:4; 3:7; 3:14; 3:20; 4:8; 4:11**] **so that** [**ἵνα**; G2443: ἵνα; *hina*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. in order that (denoting the purpose or the result); occurs 663x in the NA28 and 13x in **Colossians**] **no one** [**μηδείς**; G3367: μηδείς; *medeis*; adjective: singular masculine nominative negative; 1. not even one (man, woman, thing); occurs 90x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:4; 2:18**] **will deceive** [**παραλογίζεται**; G3884: παραλογίζομαι; *paralogizomai*; verb: third singular present middle or passive deponent subjunctive; 1. to misreckon, i.e., delude; occurs 2x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:4**] **you** [**ὑμᾶς**; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural accusative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] **with** [**ἐν**; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **arguments that sound reasonable** [**πιθανολογία**; G4086: πιθανολογία;

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*pithanologia*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. persuasive language; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:4**. **5** [εἰ; G1487: εἰ; *ei*; conditional particle or conjunction; 1. if, whether, that, etc.; occurs 499x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:23; 2:5; 2:20; 3:1**] **For** [γὰρ; G1063: γάρ; *gar*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. (properly) assigning a reason; occurs 1,039x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:1; 2:5; 3:3; 3:20; 3:25; 4:13**] [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **I may be absent** [ἄπειμι; G548: ἄπειμι; *apeimi*; verb: first singular present active indicative; 1. to be absent, away; occurs 7x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:5**] **in** [τῇ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **body** [σαρκί; G4561: σὰρξ; *sarx*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. flesh (as stripped of the skin) 2. (strictly) the meat of an animal (as food) 3. (by extension) the body (as opposed to the soul (or spirit), or as the symbol of what is external, or as the means of kindred) 4. (by implication) human nature (with its frailties (physically or morally) and passions) 5. (specially) a human being

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(as such); occurs 146x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 1:24; 2:1; 2:5; 2:11; 2:13; 2:18; 2:23; 3:22**], **but** [ἀλλὰ; G235: ἀλλά; *alla*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. (properly) other things 2. (adverbially) contrariwise (in many relations); occurs 635x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:5; 3:11; 3:22**]

**I am** [εἰμι; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: first singular present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians**] **with** [σύν; G4862: σύν; *sun*; preposition; 1. with or together 2. (in composition) association, companionship, process, resemblance, possession, instrumentality, addition, etc; occurs 121x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:5; 2:13; 2:20; 3:3; 3:4; 3:9; 4:9**] **you** [ὁμῖν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural dative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] **in** [τῷ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **spirit** [πνεύματι; G4151: πνεῦμα; *pneuma*; noun: singular neuter dative; 1. a current of air, i.e., breath (blast) or a breeze 2. (by analogy or figuratively) a spirit 3. (humanly) the rational soul 4. (by implication) vital principle, mental disposition, etc. 5. (superhumanly) an angel, demon 6.

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(divinely) God, Christ's spirit, the Holy Spirit; occurs 376x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:8; 2:5**], **rejoicing** [χαίρων; G5463: χαίρω; *chairō*; verb: singular masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to be "cheer"ful, i.e., calmly happy or well-off 2. (impersonally, especially) as salutation (on meeting or parting), be well; occurs 74x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:24; 2:5**] [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **to see** [βλέπων; G991: βλέπω; *blepo*; verb: singular masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to look at; occurs 131x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:5; 2:8; 4:17**] **how** [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **well ordered** [τάξιν; G5010: τάξις; *taxis*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. regular arrangement 2. (in time) fixed succession (of rank or character), official dignity; occurs 9x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:5**] **you** [ὑμῶν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural genitive; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] **are and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle;

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1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians** **the** [τὸ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians** **strength** [στερέωμα; G4733: στερέωμα; *stereoma*; noun: singular neuter accusative; 1. something established 2. (abstractly) confirmation (stability); occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:5** **of** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians** **your** [ὑμῶν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural genitive; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians** **faith** [πίστεως; G4102: πίστις; *pistis*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. persuasion, i.e., credence 2. (morally) conviction (of religious truth, or the truthfulness of God or a religious teacher) 3. (especially) reliance upon Christ for salvation 4. (abstractly) constancy in such profession 5. (by extension) the system of religious (Gospel) truth itself; occurs 243x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:23; 2:5; 2:7; 2:12** **in** [εἰς; G1519: εἰς; *eis*; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs

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1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians**] **Christ** [Χριστὸν; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, Ἰησῶν; occurs 525x in the NA28 and 25x in **Colossians**].



**6 So then** [οὖν; G3767: οὖν; *oun*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. (adverbially) certainly 2. (conjunctively) accordingly; occurs 498x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:6; 2:16; 3:1; 3:5; 3:12**], **just as** [ὥς; G5613: ὥς; *hos*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. which how, i.e., in that manner (very variously used, as follows); occurs 499x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:6; 2:20; 3:12; 3:18; 3:22; 3:23; 4:4**] **you have received** [παρελάβετε; G3880: παραλαμβάνω; *paralambano*; verb: second plural second aorist active indicative; 1. to receive near, i.e., associate with oneself (in any familiar or intimate act or relation) 2. (by analogy) to assume an office 3. (figuratively) to learn; occurs 49x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:6; 4:17**] [τὸν; G3588: ὁ;

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*ho*; definite article: singular masculine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians** **Christ** [Χριστὸν; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, יֵשׁוּעַ, יְהוֹשֻׁעַ; occurs 525x in the NA28 and 25x in **Colossians** **Jesus** [Ἰησοῦν; G2424: Ἰησοῦς; *Iesous*; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. Jesus (i.e., Jehoshua), the name of our Lord and two (three) other Israelites; occurs 910x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:1; 1:3; 1:4; 2:6; 3:17; 4:11; 4:12**] **as** [τὸν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians** **Lord** [κύριον; G2962: κύριος; *kurios*; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. supreme in authority 2. (as noun) controller 3. (by implication) Master (as a respectful title); occurs 714x in the NA28 and 16x in **Colossians**], **continue to walk** [περιπατεῖτε; G4043: περιπατέω; *peripateo*; verb: second plural present active imperative; 1. to tread all around, i.e., walk at large (especially as proof of

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ability) 2. (figuratively) to live, deport oneself, follow (as a companion or votary); occurs 95x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:10; 2:6; 3:7; 4:5** **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **him** [αὐτῷ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**], **7 being rooted** [ἐρριζωμένοι; G4492: ριζόω; *rhizoo*; verb: plural masculine nominative perfect passive participle; 1. to root 2. (figuratively) to become stable; occurs 2x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:7**] **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **built up** [ἐποικοδομούμενοι; G2026: ἐποικοδομέω; *epoikodomeo*; verb: plural masculine nominative present passive participle; 1. to build upon 2. (figuratively) to rear up; occurs 7x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:7**] **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **him** [αὐτῷ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] **and**



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[**καί**; G2532: *καί; kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **established** [**βεβαιούμενοι**; G950: *βεβαιόω; bebaioo*; verb: plural masculine nominative present passive participle; 1. to make firm, steadfast 2. (figuratively) to confirm; occurs 8x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:7**] **in the** [**τῇ**; G3588: *ὅ; ho*; definite article: singular feminine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **faith** [**πίστει**; G4102: *πίστις; pistis*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. persuasion, i.e., credence 2. (morally) conviction (of religious truth, or the truthfulness of God or a religious teacher) 3. (especially) reliance upon Christ for salvation 4. (abstractly) constancy in such profession 5. (by extension) the system of religious (Gospel) truth itself; occurs 243x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:23; 2:5; 2:7; 2:12**], **just as** [**καθώς**; G2531: *καθώς; kathos*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. just (or inasmuch) as, that; occurs 180x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6 (2); 1:7; 2:7; 3:13**] **you were taught** [**ἐδιδάχθητε**; G1321: *διδάσκω; didasko*; verb: second plural aorist passive indicative; 1. to teach; occurs 97x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians**

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**1:28; 2:7; 3:16], and overflowing** [περισσεύοντες; G4052: περισσεύω; *perisseuo*; verb: plural masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to superabound (in quantity or quality), be in excess, be superfluous 2. (transitively) to cause to superabound or excel; occurs 39x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:7]** **with** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians]** **gratitude** [εὐχαριστία; G2169: εὐχαριστία; *eucharistia*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. gratitude 2. (actively) grateful language (to God, as an act of worship); occurs 15x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:7; 4:2].**



**8 Be careful** [Βλέπετε; G991: βλέπω; *blepo*; verb: second plural present active imperative; 1. to look at; occurs 131x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:5; 2:8; 4:17]** **that no** [μή; G3361: μή; *me*; negative particle; 1. (adverb) not 2. (conjunction) lest 3. (interrogative) whether; occurs 1,040x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:23; 2:8; 2:16; 2:21; 3:2; 3:9; 3:19; 3:21 (2); 3:22]** **one** [τις; G5100: τίς; *tis*; indefinite pronoun: singular masculine nominative; 1. some or any person or object; occurs 529x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:8; 2:16;**

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**2:23; 3:13 (2); 3:17] takes** [ἔσται; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular future middle deponent indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians]** **you** [ὐμᾶς; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural accusative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians]** [ὁ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **captive** [συλαγωγῶν; G4812: συλαγωγέω; *sulagogeō*; verb: singular masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to lead away as booty 2. (figuratively) seduce; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:8]** **through** [διὰ; G1223: διά; *dia*; preposition; 1. through; occurs 665x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians]** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **philosophy** [φιλοσοφίας; G5385: φιλοσοφία; *philosophia*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. "philosophy" 2. (specially), Jewish sophistry; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:8]** **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians]** **empty** [κενῆς; G2756: κενός;

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*kenos*; adjective: singular feminine genitive; 1. empty; occurs 18x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:8**] **deceit** [ἀπάτης; G539: ἀπάτη; *apate*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. deception, delusion; occurs 7x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:8**] **based on** [κατὰ; G2596: κατά; *kata*; preposition; 1. (prepositionally) down (in place or time); occurs 472x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] [τῶν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **human** [ἀνθρώπων; G444: ἄνθρωπος; *anthropos*; noun: plural masculine genitive; 1. (properly) man-faced 2. (concretely) a human being (man or female) 3. (generally) all human beings 4. (indefinitely) a man, someone, one; occurs 547x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:28 (3); 2:8; 2:22; 3:9; 3:23**] **tradition** [παράδοσιν; G3862: παράδοσις; *paradosis*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. transmission 2. (concretely) a precept 3. (specially) the Jewish traditional law; occurs 13x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:8**], **based on** [κατὰ; G2596: κατά; *kata*; preposition; 1. (prepositionally) down (in

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place or time); occurs 472x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] **the** [τὰ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **elements** [στοιχεῖα; G4747: στοιχεῖον; *stoicheion*; noun: plural neuter accusative; 1. something orderly in arrangement 2. (by implication) an initial element of a fundamental series 3. (literally) fundamental principle 4. (figuratively, plural) the elements; occurs 7x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:8; 2:20**] **of the** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **world** [κόσμου; G2889: κόσμος; *kosmos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. orderly arrangement, i.e., decoration 2. (by implication) the world including its inhabitants; occurs 186x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6; 2:8; 2:20 (2)**], [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **rather** [οὐ; G3756: οὐ; *ou*; negative particle; 1. no or not; occurs 1,614x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 2:1; 2:8; 2:19; 2:23; 3:11; 3:23; 3:25**] **than** [κατὰ; G2596: κατά; *kata*; preposition; 1.

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(prepositionally) down (in place or time); occurs 472x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] **Christ** [Χριστόν; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, ἡΐ, ἡΐη; occurs 525x in the NA28 and 25x in **Colossians**].



**9 For** [ὅτι; G3754: ὅτι; *hoti*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. (demonstrative) that (sometimes redundant) 2. (causative) because; occurs 1,283x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16; 1:19; 2:9; 3:24; 4:1; 4:13**] **the entire** [πᾶν; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular neuter nominative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] [τὸ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **fullness** [πλήρωμα; G4138: πλήρωμα; *pleroma*; noun: singular neuter nominative; 1. repletion or completion 2. (subjectively) what fills (as contents, supplement, copiousness, multitude) 3. (objectively) what is filled (as container, performance, period); occurs 17x in the NA28; occurs in

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**Colossians 1:19; 2:9** **of** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **God's nature** [θεότητος; G2320: θεότης; *theotes*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. divinity (abstractly); occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:9**] **dwells** [κατοικεῖ; G2730: κατοικέω; *katoikeo*; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. to house permanently, i.e., reside; occurs 45x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:19; 2:9**] **bodily** [σωματικῶς; G4985: σωματικός; *somatikos*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. corporeally or physically; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:9**]<sup>1</sup> **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **Christ** [αὐτῷ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**, **10** and [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **you have been** [ἐστέ; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: second plural present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the




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<sup>1</sup> Or *nature lives in a human body*

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NA28 and 26x in **Colossians**] **filled** [πεπληρωμένοι; G4137: πληρόω; *pleroo*; verb: plural masculine nominative perfect passive participle; 1. to fully, completely fill 2. (literally) to cram (a net), level up (a hollow) 3. (figuratively) to fully supply, satisfy, execute (an office), finish (a period or task), verify (or coincide with a prediction), etc.; occurs 85x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 1:25; 2:10; 4:17**] **by** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **him** [αὐτῷ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**], **who** [ὃς; G3739: ὃς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular masculine nominative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **is** [ἐστιν; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians**] **the** [ἡ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **head** [κεφαλῇ; G2776: κεφαλῇ; *kephale*; noun: singular feminine nominative; 1. the head (as the part most

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readily taken hold of); occurs 75x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 2:10; 2:19**] **over every** [πάσης; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular feminine genitive; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **ruler** [ἀρχῆς; G746: ἀρχή; *arche*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. (properly abstract) a commencement 2. (concretely) chief (in various applications of order, time, place, or rank); occurs 55x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16; 1:18; 2:10; 2:15**] **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **authority** [ἐξουσίας; G1849: ἐξουσία; *exousia*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. privilege 2. (subjectively) force, capacity, competency, freedom 3. (objectively) mastery (concretely, magistrate, superhuman, potentate, token of control), delegated influence; occurs 102x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:13; 1:16; 2:10; 2:15**]. **11 You were also** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **circumcised** [περιετμήθητε; G4059: περιτέμνω; *peritemno*; verb: second plural aorist



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passive indicative; 1. to cut around 2. (specially) to circumcise; occurs 17x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:11**] **in** [ἔν; G1722: ἔν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **him** [ὃν; G3739: ὃς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **with a circumcision** [περιτομή; G4061: περιτομή; *peritome*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. circumcision (the rite, the condition, or the people); occurs 36x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:11 (2); 3:11; 4:11**] **not done with hands** [ἀχειροποίητος; G886: ἀχειροποίητος; *acheiropoietos*; adjective: singular feminine dative; 1. unmanufactured, i.e., inartificial; occurs 3x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:11**], **by** [ἐν; G1722: ἔν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] [τῇ; G3588: ὅ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **putting off** [ἀπεκδύσει; G555: ἀπέκδυσις; *apekdusis*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. divestment; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:11**] **the** [τοῦ; G3588:

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ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **body** [σώματος; G4983: σῶμα; *soma*; noun: singular neuter genitive; 1. the body (as a sound whole); occurs 138x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 1:22; 1:24; 2:11; 2:17; 2:19; 2:23; 3:15**] **of** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **flesh** [σαρκός; G4561: σὰρξ; *sarx*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. flesh (as stripped of the skin) 2. (strictly) the meat of an animal (as food) 3. (by extension) the body (as opposed to the soul (or spirit), or as the symbol of what is external, or as the means of kindred) 4. (by implication) human nature (with its frailties (physically or morally) and passions) 5. (specially) a human being (as such); occurs 146x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 1:24; 2:1; 2:5; 2:11; 2:13; 2:18; 2:23; 3:22**], **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **the** [τῆ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **circumcision** [περιτομῇ; G4061: περιτομή; *peritome*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1.

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circumcision (the rite, the condition, or the people); occurs 36x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:11 (2); 3:11; 4:11** **of** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **Christ** [Χριστοῦ; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, ישוע, ישועה; occurs 525x in the NA28 and 25x in **Colossians**], **12 when you were buried with** [συνταφέντες; G4916: συνθάπτω; *sunthapto*; verb: plural masculine nominative second aorist passive participle; 1. to inter in company with 2. (figuratively) to assimilate spiritually (to Christ by a sepulture as to sin); occurs 2x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:12**] **him** [αὐτῷ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] [τῷ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the



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NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **baptism** [βαπτισμῷ; G909: βαπτισμός; *baptismos*; noun: singular masculine dative; 1. ceremonial washing as a ritual; occurs 4x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:12**], **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **which** [ὃς; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **you were also** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **raised with** [συνηγέρθητε; G4891: συνεγείρω; *sunegeiro*; verb: second plural aorist passive indicative; 1. to rouse (from death) in company with 2. (figuratively) to revivify (spiritually) in resemblance to; occurs 3x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:12; 3:1**] **him through** [διὰ; G1223: διά; *dia*; preposition; 1. through; occurs 665x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **faith** [πίστεως; G4102: πίστις; *pistis*; noun: singular

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feminine genitive; 1. persuasion, i.e., credence 2. (morally) conviction (of religious truth, or the truthfulness of God or a religious teacher) 3. (especially) reliance upon Christ for salvation 4. (abstractly) constancy in such profession 5. (by extension) the system of religious (Gospel) truth itself; occurs 243x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:23; 2:5; 2:7; 2:12** **in the** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **working** [ἐνεργείας; G1753: ἐνέργεια; *energeia*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. efficiency ("energy"); occurs 8x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:29; 2:12**] **of** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **God** [θεοῦ; G2316: θεός; *theos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 1,311x in the NA28 and 21x in **Colossians**], **who** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **raised** [ἐγείραντος; G1453: ἐγείρω; *egeiro*; verb: singular masculine genitive aorist active participle; 1. to waken 2. (literally) rouse from

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sleep, from sitting or lying, from disease, from death 3. (figuratively) rouse from obscurity, inactivity, ruins, nonexistence; occurs 142x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:12]** **him** [αὐτόν; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine accusative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians]** **from** [ἐκ; G1537: ἐκ; *ek*; preposition; 1. from (the point whence action or motion proceeds) 2. out (of place, time, or cause); occurs 907x in the NA28 and 11x in **Colossians]** **the dead** [νεκρῶν; G3498: νεκρός; *nekros*; adjective: plural masculine genitive; 1. dead; occurs 126x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 2:12; 2:13]. 13 And** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians]** **when you** [ὐμᾶς; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural accusative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians]** **were** [ὄντας; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: plural masculine accusative present active participle; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians]** **dead** [νεκροῦς; G3498: νεκρός; *nekros*; adjective: plural masculine accusative; 1. dead; occurs 126x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 2:12; 2:13]** **in** [ἐν;



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G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] [τοῖς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **trespasses** [παράπτωμασιν; G3900: παράπτωμα; *paraptoma*; noun: plural neuter dative; 1. a side-slip (lapse or deviation) 2. (unintentional) error 3. (willful) transgression; occurs 19x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:13 (2)**] **and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **in the** [τῇ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **uncircumcision** [ἀκροβυστία; G203: ἀκροβυστία; *akrobustia*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. the foreskin 2. (by implication) an uncircumcised gentile 3. (figuratively) unregenerate state or person; occurs 20x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:13; 3:11**] **of your** [ὑμῶν; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural genitive; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **flesh**

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[**σαρκὸς**; G4561: σὰρξ; *sarx*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. flesh (as stripped of the skin) 2. (strictly) the meat of an animal (as food) 3. (by extension) the body (as opposed to the soul (or spirit), or as the symbol of what is external, or as the means of kindred) 4. (by implication) human nature (with its frailties (physically or morally) and passions) 5. (specially) a human being (as such); occurs 146x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 1:24; 2:1; 2:5; 2:11; 2:13; 2:18; 2:23; 3:22**], **he made you** [**ὑμᾶς**; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural accusative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] **alive** [**συνεζωοποίησεν**; G4806: συζωοποιέω; *suzoopoieo*; verb: third singular aorist active indicative; 1. to reanimate conjointly with (figuratively); occurs 2x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:13**] **with** [**σὺν**; G4862: σύν; *sun*; preposition; 1. with or together 2. (in composition) association, companionship, process, resemblance, possession, instrumentality, addition, etc; occurs 121x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:5; 2:13; 2:20; 3:3; 3:4; 3:9; 4:9**] **him** [**αὐτῷ**; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] **and forgave**

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[**χαρισάμενος**; G5483: χαρίζομαι; *charizomai*; verb: singular masculine nominative aorist middle deponent participle; 1. to grant as a favor, i.e., gratuitously, in kindness, pardon or rescue; occurs 23x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:13; 3:13 (2)**] **us** [ἡμῖν; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first plural dative; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians**] **all** [πάντα; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: plural neuter accusative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **our** [τὰ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **trespasses** [παραπτώματα; G3900: παράπτωμα; *paraptoma*; noun: plural neuter accusative; 1. a side-slip (lapse or deviation) 2. (unintentional) error 3. (willful) transgression; occurs 19x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:13 (2)**]. **14 He erased** [ἐξαλείψας; G1813: ἐξαλείφω; *exaleipho*; verb: singular masculine nominative aorist active participle; 1. to rub out, i.e., obliterate, erase 2. (figuratively) to pardon sin; occurs 5x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:14**] **the certificate of debt** [χειρόγραφον; G5498: χειρόγραφον; *cheirographon*;



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noun: singular neuter accusative; 1. something hand-written ("chirograph"), i.e., a manuscript (specially, a legal document or bond (figuratively)); occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:14**, **with its** [τοῖς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **obligations** [δόγμασιν; G1378: δόγμα; *dogma*; noun: plural neuter dative; 1. a law (civil, ceremonial or ecclesiastical); occurs 5x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:14**, **that** [ὃ; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular neuter nominative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **was** [ἦν; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular imperfect active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians**] [τὸ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **against** [καθ; G2596: κατά; *kata*; preposition; 1. (prepositionally) down (in place or time); occurs 472x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] **us** [ἡμῶν; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first plural genitive; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians**] **and opposed**

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[**ὑπεναντίον**; G5227: ὑπεναντίος; *hupenantios*; adjective: singular neuter nominative; 1. under (covertly) contrary to, i.e., opposed or (as noun) an opponent; occurs 2x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:14**] **to us** [ἡμῖν; G1473: ἐγώ; *ego*; personal pronoun: first plural dative; 1. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 2,557x in the NA28 and 24x in **Colossians**], **and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **has taken it** [αὐτό; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular neuter accusative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] **away** [ἤρκεν; G142: αἶρω; *airo*; verb: third singular perfect active indicative; 1. to lift up 2. (by implication) to take up or away 3. (figuratively) to raise (the voice), keep in suspense (the mind) 4. (specially) to sail away (i.e., weigh anchor) 5. (by Hebraism) to atone for sin; occurs 101x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:14**] [**ἐκ**; G1537: ἐκ; *ek*; preposition; 1. from (the point whence action or motion proceeds) 2. out (of place, time, or cause); occurs 907x in the NA28 and 11x in **Colossians**] [**τοῦ**; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in

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the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] [**μέσου**; G3319: μέσος; *mesos*; adjective: singular neuter genitive; 1. middle (as an adjective or (neuter) noun); occurs 56x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:14**] **by nailing** [**προσηλώσας**; G4338: προσηλώω; *proseloo*; verb: singular masculine nominative aorist active participle; 1. to nail to, i.e., spike fast; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:14**] **it** [**αὐτό**; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular neuter accusative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**] **to the** [**τῷ**; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **cross** [**σταυρῷ**; G4716: σταυρός; *stauros*; noun: singular masculine dative; 1. a stake or post (as set upright) 2. (specially) a pole or cross (as an instrument of capital punishment) 3. (figuratively) exposure to death, i.e., self-denial 4. (by implication) the atonement of Christ; occurs 27x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:20; 2:14**]. **15 He** **disarmed** [**ἀπεκδυσάμενος**; G554: ἀπεκδύομαι; *apekduomai*; verb: singular masculine nominative aorist middle deponent participle; 1. to divest oneself completely 2. (outwardly, externally) to despoil another completely; occurs 2x in



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the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:15; 3:9** **the** [τὰς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **rulers** [ἀρχὰς; G746: ἀρχή; *arche*; noun: plural feminine accusative; 1. (properly abstract) a commencement 2. (concretely) chief (in various applications of order, time, place, or rank); occurs 55x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:16; 1:18; 2:10; 2:15**] **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] [τὰς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **authorities** [ἐξουσίας; G1849: ἐξουσία; *exousia*; noun: plural feminine accusative; 1. privilege 2. (subjectively) force, capacity, competency, freedom 3. (objectively) mastery (concretely, magistrate, superhuman, potentate, token of control), delegated influence; occurs 102x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:13; 1:16; 2:10; 2:15**] **and disgraced** [ἐδειγμάτισεν; G1165: δειγματίζω; *deigmatizo*; verb: third singular aorist active indicative; 1. to exhibit; occurs 2x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:15**] **them** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν;

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en; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians** **publicly** [παρρησία; G3954: παρρησία; *parrhesia*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. all out-spokenness, i.e., frankness, bluntness, publicity 2. (by implication) assurance; occurs 31x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:15**; **he triumphed** [θριαμβεύσας; G2358: θριαμβεύω; *thriambeuo*; verb: singular masculine nominative aorist active participle; 1. to make an acclamatory procession 2. (figuratively) to conquer or (by Hebraism) to give victory; occurs 2x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:15** **over them** [αὐτοὺς; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: plural masculine accusative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians** **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians** **him** [αὐτῷ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians**].<sup>J</sup>

**16 Therefore** [οὖν; G3767: οὖν; *oun*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. (adverbially) certainly 2. (conjunctively) accordingly; occurs 498x in the NA28;




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<sup>J</sup> Or *them through it*

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occurs in **Colossians 2:6; 2:16; 3:1; 3:5; 3:12**, **don't** [**Μὴ**; G3361: μή; *me*; negative particle; 1. (adverb) not 2. (conjunction) lest 3. (interrogative) whether; occurs 1,040x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:23; 2:8; 2:16; 2:21; 3:2; 3:9; 3:19; 3:21 (2); 3:22**] **let anyone** [**τις**; G5100: τίς; *tis*; indefinite pronoun: singular masculine nominative; 1. some or any person or object; occurs 529x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:8; 2:16; 2:23; 3:13 (2); 3:17**] **judge** [**κρινέτω**; G2919: κρίνω; *krino*; verb: third singular present active imperative; 1. (properly) to distinguish, i.e., decide (mentally or judicially) 2. (by implication) to try, condemn, punish; occurs 114x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:16**] **you** [**ὕμᾱς**; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural accusative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians**] **in** [**ἐν**; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **regard to food** [**βρώσει**; G1035: βρῶσις; *brosis*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. (abstractly) eating 2. (by extension, concretely) food; occurs 11x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:16**] **and** [**καὶ**; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs

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8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] [**ἐν**; G1722: ἔν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **drink** [**πόσει**; G4213: πόσις; *posis*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. a drinking (the act) 2. (concretely) a draught; occurs 3x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:16**] **or** [**ἢ**; G2228: ἢ; *e*; disjunctive particle; 1. (disjunctive) or 2. (comparative) than.; occurs 343x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:16 (3); 3:17**] **in** [**ἐν**; G1722: ἔν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **the matter** [**μέρει**; G3313: μέρος; *meros*; noun: singular neuter dative; 1. a division or share; occurs 42x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:16**] **of a festival** [**ἑορτῆς**; G1859: ἑορτή; *heorte*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. a festival; occurs 25x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:16**] **or** [**ἢ**; G2228: ἢ; *e*; disjunctive particle; 1. (disjunctive) or 2. (comparative) than.; occurs 343x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:16 (3); 3:17**] **a new moon** [**νεομηνίας**; G3561: νουμηνία; *noumenia*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. the festival of new moon; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:16**] **or** [**ἢ**; G2228: ἢ; *e*; disjunctive particle; 1. (disjunctive) or 2.

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(comparative) than.; occurs 343x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:16 (3);**

**3:17] a Sabbath** [σαββάτων; G4521: σάββατον; *sabbaton*; noun: plural neuter

genitive; 1. the Sabbath (i.e., Shabbath) 2. a day of weekly repose from secular

avocations 3. the observance or institution itself 4. (by extension) a week, i.e., the

interval between two Sabbaths 5. likewise the plural in all the above

applications; occurs 65x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:16] day.**<sup>K</sup> **17**

**These** [ἃ; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: plural neuter nominative; 1. the

relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs

1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians] are** [ἐστίν; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb:

third singular present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and

26x in **Colossians] a shadow** [σκιὰ; G4639: σκία; *skia*; noun: singular feminine

nominative; 1. "shade" or a shadow (darkness of error or an adumbration);

occurs 7x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:17] of** [τῶν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*;

definite article: plural neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and

262x in **Colossians] what was to come** [μελλόντων; G3195: μέλλω; *mello*;

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<sup>K</sup> Or *or sabbaths*

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verb: plural neuter genitive present active participle; 1. to intend, i.e., be about to be, do, or suffer something (of persons or things, especially events, in the sense of purpose, duty, necessity, probability, possibility, or hesitation); occurs 108x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:17**; [**δέ**; G1161: δέ; *de*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. but, and, etc.; occurs 2,755x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 1:26; 2:17; 3:8; 3:14**] **the** [**τὸ**; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **substance** [**σῶμα**; G4983: σῶμα; *soma*; noun: singular neuter nominative; 1. the body (as a sound whole); occurs 138x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 1:22; 1:24; 2:11; 2:17; 2:19; 2:23; 3:15**] **is**<sup>L</sup> [**τοῦ**; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **Christ** [**Χριστοῦ**; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by

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<sup>L</sup> Or *substance belongs to*

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identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, יֵשׁוּעַ, Ἰησοῦς; occurs 525x in the NA28 and 25x in

**Colossians**. **18 Let no one** [μηδείς; G3367: μηδείς; *medeis*; adjective: singular masculine nominative negative; 1. not even one (man, woman, thing); occurs 90x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:4; 2:18** **condemn** [καταβραβεύτω; G2603: καταβραβεύω; *katabrabeuo*; verb: third singular present active imperative; 1. to award the price against 2. (figuratively) to defraud (of salvation); occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:18**<sup>M</sup> **you** [ὑμᾶς; G4771: σύ; *su*; personal pronoun: second plural accusative; 1. thou; occurs 2,889x in the NA28 and 57x in **Colossians** **by delighting** [θέλων; G2309: θέλω; *thelo*; verb: singular masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to determine, i.e., choose or prefer 2. (by implication) to wish, i.e., be inclined to 3. (sometimes adverbially) gladly 4. (impersonally for the future tense) to be about to 5. (by Hebraism) to delight in; occurs 208x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:27; 2:1; 2:18** **in** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians** **ascetic practices**

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<sup>M</sup> Or *disqualify*

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[**ταπεινοφροσύνη**; G5012: ταπεινοφροσύνη; *tapeinophrosune*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. humiliation of mind, i.e., modesty; occurs 8x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:18; 2:23; 3:12**] **and** [**καὶ**; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **the worship** [**θρησκεία**; G2356: θρησκεία; *threskeia*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. ceremonial observance; occurs 4x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:18**] **of** [**τῶν**; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **angels** [**ἀγγέλων**; G32: ἄγγελος; *aggelos*; noun: plural masculine genitive; 1. a messenger 2. (especially) an "angel" of God 3. (of evil, Satan) a demon 4. (by implication) a person carrying forth a message from God, i.e., a servant (a disciple, pastor, elder, prophet, etc.) 5. (also, by implication) a thing or event carrying forth a message from God, i.e., a hardship (pestilence, wind, etc.), or an animal (donkey, locusts, etc.)); occurs 174x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:18**], [**ἃ**; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: plural neuter accusative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which,

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what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **claiming access** [ἐμβατεύων; G1687: ἐμβατεύω; *embateuo*; verb: singular masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to intrude on (figuratively); occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:18**] **to a visionary realm** [έόρακεν; G3708: ὁράω; *horao*; verb: third singular perfect active indicative; 1. (properly) to stare at 2. (by implication) to discern clearly (physically or mentally) 3. (by extension) to attend to 4. (by Hebraism) to experience 5. (passively) to appear; occurs 671x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:1; 2:18**]. **Such people are inflated** [φυσιοῦμενος; G5448: φυσιόω; *phusioo*; verb: singular masculine nominative present passive participle; 1. to inflate 2. (figuratively) make proud (haughty); occurs 7x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:18**] **by** [ὑπό; G5259: ὑπό; *hupo*; preposition; 1. under 2. (with the genitive case) of place (beneath), or with verbs (the agency or means, through) 3. (with the accusative case) of place (whither (underneath) or where (below) or time (when (at))). In the comparative, it retains the same general applications, especially of inferior position or condition, and specially, covertly or moderately.; occurs 220x in the NA28; occurs in

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**Colossians 1:23; 2:18]** **empty** [εἰκῆ; G1500: εἰκῆ; *eike*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. idly, i.e., without reason (or effect); occurs 6x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:18]** **notions of their** [αὐτοῦ; G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine genitive; 1. self; occurs 5,512x in the NA28 and 45x in **Colossians]** [τῆς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **unspiritual** [σαρκὸς; G4561: σὰρξ; *sarx*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. flesh (as stripped of the skin) 2. (strictly) the meat of an animal (as food) 3. (by extension) the body (as opposed to the soul (or spirit), or as the symbol of what is external, or as the means of kindred) 4. (by implication) human nature (with its frailties (physically or morally) and passions) 5. (specially) a human being (as such); occurs 146x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 1:24; 2:1; 2:5; 2:11; 2:13; 2:18; 2:23; 3:22]**<sup>N</sup> [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **mind** [νοῦς; G3563: νοῦς; *nous*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. the

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intellect, i.e., the mind 2. (by implication) meaning; occurs 23x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:18**. **19** [**καί**; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **They don't** [**οὐ**; G3756: οὐ; *ou*; negative particle; 1. no or not; occurs 1,614x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 2:1; 2:8; 2:19; 2:23; 3:11; 3:23; 3:25**] **hold on to** [**κρατῶν**; G2902: κρατέω; *krateo*; verb: singular masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to use strength, i.e., seize or retain; occurs 46x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:19**] **the** [**τὴν**; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **head** [**κεφαλὴν**; G2776: κεφαλή; *kephale*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. the head (as the part most readily taken hold of); occurs 75x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 2:10; 2:19**], **from** [**ἐξ**; G1537: ἐκ; *ek*; preposition; 1. from (the point whence action or motion proceeds) 2. out (of place, time, or cause); occurs 907x in the NA28 and 11x in **Colossians**] **whom** [**οὗ**; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: singular masculine genitive; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what,

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that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **the whole** [πᾶν; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: singular neuter nominative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] [τὸ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter nominative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **body** [σῶμα; G4983: σῶμα; *soma*; noun: singular neuter nominative; 1. the body (as a sound whole); occurs 138x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 1:22; 1:24; 2:11; 2:17; 2:19; 2:23; 3:15**], **nourished** [ἐπιχορηγούμενον; G2023: ἐπιχορηγέω; *epichoregeo*; verb: singular neuter nominative present passive participle; 1. to furnish besides, i.e., fully supply, (figuratively) aid or contribute; occurs 5x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:19**] **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **held together** [συμβιβάζόμενον; G4822: συμβιβάζω; *sumbibazo*; verb: singular neuter nominative present passive participle; 1. to drive together, i.e., unite (in association or affection), (mentally) to infer, show, teach; occurs 7x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:2; 2:19**] **by** [διὰ; G1223: διά; *dia*; preposition; 1.

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through; occurs 665x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] **its** [τῶν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **ligaments** [ἀφῶν; G860: ἀφή; *haphe*; noun: plural feminine genitive; 1. probably a ligament (as fastening); occurs 2x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:19**] **and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians**] **tendons** [συνδέσμων; G4886: σύνδεσμος; *sundesmos*; noun: plural masculine genitive; 1. a joint tie, i.e., ligament, (figuratively) uniting principle, control; occurs 4x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:19; 3:14**], **grows** [αὔξει; G837: αὐξάνω; *auxano*; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. to grow ("wax"), i.e., enlarge; occurs 23x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6; 1:10; 2:19**] **with** [τὴν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **growth** [αὔξησιν; G838: αὔξεις; *auxesis*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. growth; occurs 2x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:19**] **from** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the

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NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **God** [θεοῦ; G2316: θεός; *theos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 1,311x in the NA28 and 21x in **Colossians**].

**20 If** [Εἰ; G1487: εἰ; *ei*; conditional particle or conjunction; 1. if, whether, that, etc.; occurs 499x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:23; 2:5; 2:20; 3:1**] **you died** [ἀπεθάνετε; G599: ἀποθνήσκω; *apothnesko*; verb: second plural second aorist active indicative; 1. to die off; occurs 111x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:20; 3:3**] **with** [σὺν; G4862: σύν; *sun*; preposition; 1. with or together 2. (in composition) association, companionship, process, resemblance, possession, instrumentality, addition, etc; occurs 121x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:5; 2:13; 2:20; 3:3; 3:4; 3:9; 4:9**] **Christ** [Χριστῷ; G5547: Χριστός; *Christos*; noun: singular masculine dative; 1. (literally) Anointed 2. (transliterated) "Christ" 3. (properly) the Messiah, the Anointed One of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob 4. (by function) the (kinsman) Redeemer, the Saviour 5. (by identity) Jesus, Yeshua, Ἰησοῦς, Ἰησοῦ; occurs 525x in the NA28 and 25x in **Colossians**] **to** [ἀπὸ; G575: ἀπό; *apo*; preposition; 1. "off," i.e.,



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away (from something near), in various senses (of place, time, or relation); occurs 633x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:2; 1:6; 1:7; 1:9; 1:23; 1:26 (2); 2:20; 3:24**] **the** [τῶν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **elements** [στοιχείων; G4747: στοιχεῖον; *stoicheion*; noun: plural neuter genitive; 1. something orderly in arrangement 2. (by implication) an initial element of a fundamental series 3. (literally) fundamental principle 4. (figuratively, plural) the elements; occurs 7x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:8; 2:20**] **of this** [τοῦ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **world** [κόσμου; G2889: κόσμος; *kosmos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. orderly arrangement, i.e., decoration 2. (by implication) the world including its inhabitants; occurs 186x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6; 2:8; 2:20 (2)**], **why** [τί; G5101: τίς; *tis*; interrogative pronoun: singular neuter accusative; 1. an interrogative pronoun, who, which or what (in direct or indirect questions); occurs 551x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:27; 2:20**] **do you live** [ζῶντες; G2198: ζάω; *zao*; verb: plural masculine

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nominative present active participle; 1. to live; occurs 139x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:20; 3:7**] **as if** [ὥς; G5613: ὥς; *hos*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. which how, i.e., in that manner (very variously used, as follows); occurs 499x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:6; 2:20; 3:12; 3:18; 3:22; 3:23; 4:4**] **you still belonged to** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **the world** [κόσμῳ; G2889: κόσμος; *kosmos*; noun: singular masculine dative; 1. orderly arrangement, i.e., decoration 2. (by implication) the world including its inhabitants; occurs 186x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:6; 2:8; 2:20 (2)?** **Why do you submit to regulations** [δογματίζεσθε; G1379: δογματίζω; *dogmatizo*; verb: second plural present passive indicative; 1. to prescribe by statute 2. (reflexively) to submit to, ceremonially rule; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:20**]: **21 "Don't** [μὴ; G3361: μὴ; *me*; negative particle; 1. (adverb) not 2. (conjunction) lest 3. (interrogative) whether; occurs 1,040x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:23; 2:8; 2:16; 2:21; 3:2; 3:9; 3:19; 3:21 (2); 3:22**] **handle** [ἅψῃ; G680: ἅπτομαι; *haptomai*; verb: second singular aorist



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middle subjunctive; 1. (properly) to attach oneself to, i.e., to touch (in many implied relations); occurs 35x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:21**], **don't** [**μηδέ**; G3366: μηδέ; *mede*; conjunction or conjunctive particle: negative; 1. but not, not even 2. (in a continued negation) nor; occurs 56x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:21 (2)**] **taste** [**γεύση**; G1089: γεύομαι; *geuomai*; verb: second singular aorist middle deponent subjunctive; 1. to taste 2. (by implication) to eat 3. (figuratively) to experience (good or ill); occurs 15x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:21**], **don't** [**μηδέ**; G3366: μηδέ; *mede*; conjunction or conjunctive particle: negative; 1. but not, not even 2. (in a continued negation) nor; occurs 56x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:21 (2)**] **touch** [**θίγῃς**; G2345: θιγγάνω; *thiggano*; verb: second singular second aorist active subjunctive; 1. to manipulate, i.e., have to do with 2. (by implication) to injure; occurs 3x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:21**] **”? 22 All** [**πάντα**; G3956: πᾶς; *pas*; adjective: plural neuter nominative; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 1,230x in the NA28 and 39x in **Colossians**] **these** [**ἃ**; G3739: ὅς; *hos*; relative pronoun: plural neuter nominative; 1. the relatively (sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which,



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what, that; occurs 1,390x in the NA28 and 38x in **Colossians**] **regulations refer to what is** [ἐστὶν; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians**] **destined to** [εἰς; G1519: εἰς; *eis*; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 1,754x in the NA28 and 19x in **Colossians**] **perish** [φθορὰν; G5356: φθορά; *phthora*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. decay, i.e., ruin (spontaneous or inflicted); occurs 9x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:22**] **by** [τῇ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine dative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **being used up** [ἀποχρήσει; G671: ἀπόχρησις; *apochresis*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. the act of using up, i.e., consumption; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:22**]; [κατὰ; G2596: κατὰ; *kata*; preposition; 1. (prepositionally) down (in place or time); occurs 472x in the NA28 and 14x in **Colossians**] **they are** [τῶν; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **human** [ἀνθρώπων; G444: ἄνθρωπος; *anthropos*; noun: plural

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masculine genitive; 1. (properly) man-faced 2. (concretely) a human being (man or female) 3. (generally) all human beings 4. (indefinitely) a man, someone, one; occurs 547x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:28 (3); 2:8; 2:22; 3:9; 3:23]**

[τὰ; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: plural neuter accusative; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians]** **commands** [ἐντάλματα; G1778: ἔνταλμα; *entalma*; noun: plural neuter accusative; 1. an injunction, i.e., religious precept; occurs 3x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:22]** **and** [καὶ; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians]** **doctrines** [διδασκαλίας; G1319: διδασκαλία; *didaskalia*; noun: plural feminine accusative; 1. instruction (the function or the information); occurs 21x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:22].**

 **23 Although these** [ἅτινά; G3748: ὅστις; *hostis*; relative pronoun: plural neuter nominative; 1. which some, i.e., any that 2. (definite) which same; occurs 138x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:23; 3:5; 4:11]** [ἐστὶν; G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 2,439x in the NA28 and 26x in **Colossians]** [λόγον; G3056: λόγος; *logos*; noun: singular

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masculine accusative; 1. something said (including the thought) 2. (by implication) a topic (subject of discourse), also reasoning (the mental faculty) or motive 3. (by extension) a computation 4. (specially, with the article in John) the Divine Expression (i.e., Christ); occurs 327x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:5; 1:25; 2:23; 3:16; 3:17; 4:3; 4:6**] **μὲν**; G3303: μέν; *men*; disjunctive particle; 1. (properly) indicative of affirmation or concession (in fact); occurs 176x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:23**] **have** **ἔχοντα**; G2192: ἔχω; *echo*; verb: plural neuter nominative present active participle; 1. to hold (such as possession, ability, continuity, relation, or condition); occurs 705x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:4; 1:14; 2:1; 2:23; 3:13; 4:1; 4:13**] **a reputation for wisdom** **σοφίας**; G4678: σοφία; *sophia*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. wisdom (higher or lower, worldly or spiritual); occurs 51x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 1:28; 2:3; 2:23; 3:16; 4:5**] **by** **ἐν**; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **promoting self-made religion** **ἐθελοθρησκία**; G1479: ἐθελοθρησκεία; *ethelothreskeia*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. willful (arbitrary and

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unwarranted) piety, i.e., pretended, false, or counterfeit observance; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:23**, [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians** **false humility** [ταπεινοφροσύνη; G5012: ταπεινοφροσύνη; *tapeinophrosune*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. humiliation of mind, i.e., modesty; occurs 8x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:18; 2:23; 3:12**, **and** [καί; G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 8,913x in the NA28 and 101x in **Colossians** **severe treatment** [ἀφειδία; G857: ἀφειδία; *apheidia*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. unsparingness, i.e., austerity (asceticism); occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:23** **of the body** [σώματος; G4983: σῶμα; *soma*; noun: singular neuter genitive; 1. the body (as a sound whole); occurs 138x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:18; 1:22; 1:24; 2:11; 2:17; 2:19; 2:23; 3:15**, **they are not** [οὐκ; G3756: οὐ; *ou*; negative particle; 1. no or not; occurs 1,614x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:9; 2:1; 2:8; 2:19; 2:23; 3:11; 3:23; 3:25** **of** [ἐν; G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; 1. "in," at, (up-

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on, by, etc.; occurs 2,726x in the NA28 and 88x in **Colossians**] **any** [τινι; G5100: τίς; *tis*; indefinite pronoun: singular feminine dative; 1. some or any person or object; occurs 529x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:8; 2:16; 2:23; 3:13 (2); 3:17**] **value** [τιμῇ; G5092: τιμή; *time*; noun: singular feminine dative; 1. a value, i.e., money paid 2. (concretely and collectively) valuables 3. (by analogy) esteem (especially of the highest degree), or the dignity itself; occurs 41x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:23**] **in** [πρός; G4314: πρὸς; *pros*; preposition; 1. forward to, i.e., toward 2. (genitive case) the side of, i.e., pertaining to 3. (dative case) by the side of, i.e., near to 4. (accusative case, usually) the place, time, occasion, or respect (which is the destination of the relation, i.e., whither or for which it is predicated); occurs 687x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:23; 3:13; 3:19; 4:5; 4:8; 4:10**] **curbing** [πλησμονήν; G4140: πλῆσμονή; *plesmone*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. a filling up 2. (figuratively) gratification; occurs 1x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 2:23**] [τῇς; G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 19,705x in the NA28 and 262x in **Colossians**] **self-indulgence** [σαρκός; G4561: σὰρξ; *sarx*;

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noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. flesh (as stripped of the skin) 2. (strictly) the meat of an animal (as food) 3. (by extension) the body (as opposed to the soul (or spirit), or as the symbol of what is external, or as the means of kindred) 4. (by implication) human nature (with its frailties (physically or morally) and passions) 5. (specially) a human being (as such); occurs 146x in the NA28; occurs in **Colossians 1:22; 1:24; 2:1; 2:5; 2:11; 2:13; 2:18; 2:23; 3:22**].<sup>o</sup>

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<sup>o</sup> Lit *value against indulgence of the flesh*

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