

MOST Class test on the book of Colossians.

Name: _____

You may use your **computer to generate an electronic format** of your answers, but you must close all Bible study programs, etc. **You may NOT cut and paste from your personal notes** (for obvious reasons). **You may use your open Bible** and notes in the margin of your Bible for accuracy in scripture references. If you select to write out your answers, please be sure to attach this sheet to you answers. You may use the back of this paper plus any additional pages necessary. Each question is worth 25 points.

1. Discuss the similarities and contrasts between Ephesians and Colossians and why they are sometimes called “twin epistles.” Include in this discussion possible explanations regarding the “letter to the Laodicians” and how that might be related to the book of Ephesians. Give at least six specific parallels in both epistles. Show why Ephesians is said to address the church of Christ, and why Colossians is said to address the Christ of the church and the significance of that statement particularly as it relates to Colossians.

2. Discuss the Colossian Heresy. Use passages in Colossians that might help the student identify the planks of this dangerous doctrine.

3. Discuss what we might know and/or deduce from the scriptures as to the history of the church at Colossia. Include arguments for and against Paul’s having never visited the city of Colossia.

4. Provide verses in Colossians that declare the all-sufficiency of Christ, and our fulness in Him. Be sure to give a discussion of the scriptures you use. How is this all-sufficiency of Christ related to the gnostic arguments that were apparently troubling the church at Colossia.