

A person's silhouette is shown from behind, looking out over a landscape of mountains at sunset. The sky is filled with soft, warm colors of orange, pink, and blue. The mountains in the background are silhouetted against the bright sky.

FACING YOUR GIANTS

DISCOURAGEMENT LESSON 7

"THEREFORE,
AS YOU RECEIVED CHRIST JESUS THE LORD,
SO WALK IN HIM, ROOTED AND BUILT UP
IN HIM AND ESTABLISHED IN THE FAITH, JUST
AS YOU WERE TAUGHT, ABOUNDING IN
THANKSGIVING."

COLOSSIANS 2:6-7

FACING YOUR GIANTS

FACING THE GIANT OF
DISCOURAGEMENT
LIVING IN HOPE
LESSON 7

PAUL STRUGGLES FOR HIS LOVED ONES

A. His Great Goals Colossians 1:28–29

1. To Warn, Teach and Present Everyone as Mature
2. His Struggles and Toils
3. Everyone's HOPE is Knowing the Love of God Through Jesus.

B. His "Agony" Through Prayer Colossians 2:1

1. Separated Physically
2. Joined Through Prayer

C. His Struggles with Circumstances Colossians 2:1

1. What Were They?
2. How He Responds with Observers

MARKS OF A GODLY CHURCH

A. Courageous Hearts Colossians 2:2

1. Encouragement—Meeting Circumstances with Confidence
2. Encouraged a Military Term—Preparing for Battle



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- B. United in Love Colossians 2:2b
1. Love for God
2. Love for Others
- C. Riches of Understanding Colossians 2:2c
1. Access Wise Actions
2. Practical Knowledge
3. Truth Not Hidden but Revealed in Christ
- D. Resistance to Seductive Teaching Colossians 2:4
- E. Military Firmness Colossians 2:5
1. Disciplined Order
2. Strong Steadfastness
- F. Holding Fast to Fundamental Truth Colossians 2:6–7
- G. Abounding and Overflowing Gratitude Colossians 2:7b
1. For Our Inheritance
2. For Our Forgiveness
3. For Our Perfecting

A CLOSING QUESTION