

COLOSSIANS

Mature in Christ

Marks of a Gospel Church

Colossians 1:3-5

PASTOR'S PRAYER

Almighty Father in heaven you alone are to be praised, worshipped and glorified forever. We thank you for you are true, righteous, good and wise. We thank you for you have gathered us here this morning and have granted us faith, love and hope. However, LORD, we confess our faith is often weak and scattered. Our love is too often passive and divided. Our hope is usually wandering and sporadic. Lord, help us for he must have your Spirit this morning that our faith might be fixed on Christ, our love devoted to the saints and our hope firmly secured upon our promised inheritance in heaven. Oh that you would do this for us this morning in the name and authority of Jesus Christ and for His glory, honor and praise. Amen & Amen

OUTLINE

1. Faith in Christ
2. Love for the Saints
3. Hope Laid up in Heaven

Central Textual Truth

Paul is prayerfully thanking the Lord for the gospel influence in this church.

Central Sermon Aim

I want SGBC to pray for & live out the gospel in our midst.