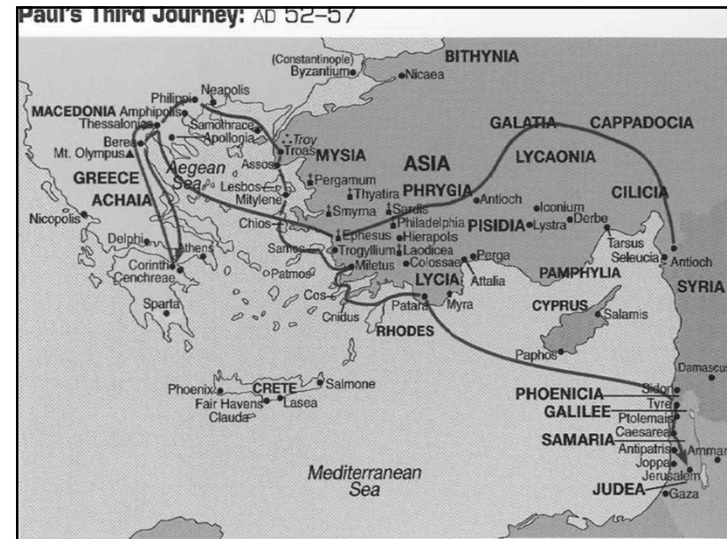


# Largo Seminole Women's Bible Study

## Introduction to Colossians

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### Paul's 3<sup>rd</sup> Missionary Journey

"...all who lived in Asia  
heard the word of the Lord,  
both Jews and Greeks."  
Acts 19:10

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Paul under house arrest:

“And he stayed two full years in his own rented quarters and was **welcoming all who came to him**, preaching the kingdom of God **and teaching concerning the Lord Jesus Christ....**”

Acts 19:10

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Paul's purpose in Colossians:

1. To encourage them in their faith.
2. To teach them sound doctrine.
3. To correct false teaching.

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Elements of the false teaching:

1. A Jewish element = legalism.
2. A Pagan element = early Gnosticism, mysticism.
3. A Christian element; didn't deny Christ but dethroned Him.

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“When we make Jesus Christ and the Christian revelation only part of a total religious system or philosophy, we cease to give Him the preeminence.”

Wiersbe

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## Outline of Colossians

Theme: The supremacy and sufficiency of Jesus Christ!

- Col 1: 9-14 Paul's prayer for the Colossian Church
- Col 1:15-23 The Preeminence of Jesus Christ
- Col 1:24-2:23 Paul's Concern for the Colossians
- Col 3:1-4:6 Characteristics of the Christian Life
- Col 4:7-18 Paul's Concluding Personal Remarks