Bible Study for July 11-17, 2022

Read: Colossians 1:15-28

Notes:

Sometimes Paul preaches with great attention to theological concepts. Here, however, Paul offers a mystical teaching, that the great mystery of God is "Christ in you." Because Christ is present in the church, Christians share in his life, suffering, and glory.

Questions to Ponder:

As a child, what superhero did you look up to? Why? What made them so special to you?

The "firstborn" has the rights of an heir. What rights does Jesus have mentioned in verses 15-18? Why might Paul stress this?

What "before and after" story do you see in verses 21-23?

From this passage, what would you say to someone who asked you: "How can I get to know God?"

At times, what people or forces seem more powerful than Jesus in your life? Why? How do you respond to the fact that even these things are under Christ's authority?