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Colossians 1:1-8 (ESV)

*God's extraordinary work happens when
faith and love are active.*

A Few Things as We Begin Our Study of Colossians:

This is a letter between _____.

- Paul writes to express concern, provide clarity, and give spiritual coaching.
- Do not read the letter like a formal presentation.
- The Bible's concern reaches beyond information to action.

The letter begins with a prayer of _____.

- Which shows us how Paul understands prayer
 - as a tool of encouragement
 - as a source of personal gratitude

Faith _____ Uses.

- Faith is a settled belief that shapes life.
- Faith in Christ Jesus points to Him as the core content of Biblical faith.
- Faith in Christ Jesus points to the personal, living relationship of Biblical faith.
- The Colossians had a living example of faith in Epaphras.

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Love That _____.

- Love God uses for His extraordinary work:
 - Is built on hope laid up on the sure promises of Christ Jesus.

Love that is _____:

- Empowers us to move forward with biblical realism.
 - Love that is growing.
 - Love that is loud.

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