

Paul's concern is that the Colossians believers might react to the work of the new birth in a fuller understanding of the will and calling of God.

4. Some Questions of general interest:
 - a. What is it to walk worthy?
 - b. What is the hope "laid up"?
 - c. What is the faith that is theirs?
 - d. How do we apply the concern of Paul to us?

B. Analysis of the Doctrinal Section 1:13-2:3

The doctrinal section concentrates on the realistic Person and Work of the Son of God. It pushes us to claim that work as our own. It develops as follows:

1. The Work of the Father 1:13

Note particularly how the Father has delivered us...from what and to what. The believer is urged to see the glory of the transference from darkness to light. Without the work of the Father, the work of the Son would lack substance and finality.

2. The Blessing of the Son 1:14