# Pastor Brandon Sales • January 28-29, 2023 • Fill-In Online Bulletin Peace By the Blood of His Cross • Colossians 1:19-22 ESV

<sup>19</sup>For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup>and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross. <sup>21</sup>And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup>he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him... (Colossians 1:19-22)

## Colossians background:

- (1) Prison letter written by the Apostle Paul to a church in Colossae.
- (2) Cultural pressures in Colossae to turn away from their faith.
- (3) Paul's goal was to encourage the church to stay faithful in devotion to Jesus.
- (4) Chapter 1 focuses on the power and glory of Jesus Christ.

#### The questions of our heart:

Am I worthy? Am I enough? Have I done enough good? Have I done too much wrong?

## **Culture's response:**

You are worthy all by yourself. You alone are enough. You can do no wrong.

#### God's response:

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds... (Colossians 1:21)

There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, <sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. (Romans 3:22-23)

"You are more sinful than you will ever know..." (Tim Keller)

#### WHERE IS MY WORTH?

and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross. (Colossians 1:20)

<sup>18</sup>For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, <sup>19</sup>but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. (1 Peter 1:18-19)

"You are more sinful than you will ever know... And you are more loved by God than you have ever dreamed." (Tim Keller)

Practice: Embrace living in the tension.

#### **AM I WORTHY?**

I am not worthy in and of myself. Instead, I am made worthy through the blood of Jesus, that has purchased me. I now am righteous in His eyes, not by my own doing, but through His perfect sacrifice. Today, I walk under the protection of HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS that has been graciously bestowed onto me, able to know that I am both sinful, forgiven, and loved.

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# What's happening with the Lighthouse family...

Because relationship with one another is at the core of being a disciple of Christ, we invite you to find community and experience spiritual transformation through LCC's groups, classes, events, and service opportunities.

Worship Night: Everyone is invited to join us for a time of worship and prayer. 7:00pm on Friday, February 3.

**Family Support Training - Leadership Development:** If you are currently serving or interested in learning about volunteering in LCC Kids ministries, we invite you to a special morning of fun, food, fellowship, and family support training at 9:00am on Saturday, February 4. This training focuses on the physical, emotional, and spiritual safety of our children. Visit <a href="www.lighthousehome.org/kids">www.lighthousehome.org/kids</a> for more info and a link to register.

**GriefShare:** If you are grieving the loss of someone significant, this support group is for you. We meet on Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm, February 7-May 9. Visit <a href="https://www.lighthousehome.org/griefshare">www.lighthousehome.org/griefshare</a> to learn more and register.

**Starting Point:** This class, taught by Pastor Brandon Sales, is for those who are newer to or looking for connection and community at Lighthouse. 12:30pm on Sunday, February 12. Visit <a href="www.lighthousehome.org/starting-point">www.lighthousehome.org/starting-point</a> for more details and a link to register.

**eNews:** Sign up for LCC's weekly eNews. Get special announcements and messages from our pastors and Leadership Team, updates and emergency notices, and a first look at upcoming groups, classes, and events. Visit <a href="https://www.lighthousehome.org/enews">www.lighthousehome.org/enews</a> to sign up.

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