

Full Life in Christ

Bible Background • COLOSSIANS 2:6–15

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Words You Should Know

- A. **Rooted (Colossians 2:7)** rhizoo (Gk.)—Rendered firm, established.
- B. **Godhead (v. 9)** theotes (Gk.)—Supreme deity, the essential being of God, the Supreme Being; the whole nature and attributes of God.

Teacher Preparation

Unifying Principle—It’s a Wonderful Life! Through Jesus, God forgives all our trespasses and triumphs over all earthly rulers and authorities.

- A. Use Ephesians 3:14–21 as a prayer for your students.
- B. Study and meditate on the entire lesson.
- C. Research the philosophies of atheism and humanism, and be prepared to biblically explore the question, “What is a wonderful life?”
- D. Complete the companion lesson in the Precepts For Living® Study Guide.

O—Open the Lesson

- A. Receive prayer requests and open with prayer.
- B. Lead a discussion of the question “What is a wonderful life?”
- C. Have them read the Aim for Change and Key Verse in unison.
- D. Have a volunteer summarize the In Focus story. Discuss.

P—Present the Scriptures

- A. Have volunteers read the Focal Verses.
- B. To examine the lesson, read and discuss The People, Places, and Times, Background, At-a Glance outline, and More Light on the Text sections.
- C. Use the Search the Scriptures and Discuss the Meaning questions to add depth to the discussion.

E—Explore the Meaning

- A. Refer to the Liberating Lesson section and discuss how this lesson is applicable to our daily lives.
- B. Incorporate the Liberating Lesson and Application for Activation sections.
- C. Ask students to share how they keep Christ in His rightful position as supreme ruler and authority—as the fullness of the Godhead.

N—Next Steps for Application

- A. Summarize the lesson.
- B. Close with prayer.