

2015—Develop Others in Christ-like Living

“How to Enjoy Labor Pains”

Colossians 1:24-2:5

June 28, 2015

Training for Trainers (T4T)

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2. Babies learn to breathe. Disciples learn to pray.
3. Babies learn to eat. Disciples learn to read and obey the Word.
4. Babies need a family. Disciples become serving church members.
5. **Babies have a father. Disciples live by Christ’s authority.**
6. Babies grow up and reproduce. Disciples multiply themselves.

Jesus is our:

hope (1:1-14), hero (1:15-20), and holiness (1:21-23).

Christ in us empowers us to rejoice in suffering.

We work for the church and with the church.

As Christ suffered for the gospel, so do we.

Christ in us enables us to serve the church with the Word.

We help shape behavior, values, and thoughts.

Christ in us stirs us to celebrate Him.

We praise His presence, especially in trials.

As Christ desires holiness and maturity, so do we.

“ . . . the expulsive power of a new affection . . . ”

Puritan writer **Thomas Chalmers**

We love Jesus because He is our strength.

Verse of the Month:

He is before all things, and by Him all things hold together.

Colossians 1:17 (HCSB)

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