*Northwest Bible Church Aug. 24, 2008 Worship Service - Alan Conner*

**Highlights from Colossians**

**Intro**

**A. THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ OF CHRIST (1:15-20; 2:2-3, 9-10).**

  1) Christ is our glorious Creator and Redeemer God (1:15-20; 2:9).

  2) We are complete in Him (2:2-3, 10).

**B. CONTENDING WITH \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ INFLUENCES (2:8, 16-23).**

  1) Warning to the churches (2:8, 16-23).

  2) Outreach to outsiders (4:5-6).

**C. GIVING THANKS FOR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (1:3-5).**

 1) God is sovereign in salvation.

  2) The blessing of a thankful and joyful heart

**D. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ PERSPECTIVE (3:1-4).**

 1) Our focus on Christ above.

2) The practical implications.

**Conclusion**