

The "If" Clause – Colossians 1:23
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Paul follows up the promise that the reconciled believer is "holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight," with these words: "If indeed you continue in the faith." This "if" clause is at the heart of Paul's message to the Colossians and teach us *two necessary truths* regarding our personal reconciliation to the Father through Christ:

1. Reconciliation is appropriated through personal faith in the hope of the gospel.
2. Reconciliation is assured through persevering faith in the hope of the gospel.

How does Paul describe a believer with persevering faith?

A. Established. *grounded and steadfast*

B. Immovable. *not moved away*