

# Colossians

Week 5 – Chapter 2:8-12

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- Chapter 1

- Christ the head of all things in creation and redemption
  - Paul's prayer for the Colossians (3-12)
  - The superiority of Christ (13-23)
  - Paul's joy in his sufferings and labors for Christ (24-29)

- Chapter 2

- Be not be led away from Christ the head of all things
  - Walk in Christ as you have received Him (1-7)
  - **Do not be led away from Christ, you are complete in Him (8-12)**
  - Christ is the fulfillment of the law (13-23)



## Colossians 2:1-7

Paul tells them: I wish for you to be strengthened together in Love, and in all the riches of the full assurance of understanding which will result in a true and full knowledge of God's mystery, which is Christ. Don't be deceived and led away from the Gospel of Christ. You have been rooted and grounded in Christ and are now being built up in Christ and established in your faith.

# Colossians 2:8-12

- Complete in Christ
  - Don't be led away from Christ by Philosophy and empty deceit (Eph 5:6-7)
    - By the traditions of men according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Christ (Mark 7:6-13; 1Jn 2:16-17; Mk 4:18-19)
  - In Christ...
    - All the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form
    - You have been made complete
    - You were circumcised without hands, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with Him in baptism
    - You were raised up with Him through faith in the working of God

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- Philosophy:
  - The love and pursuit of wisdom, the investigation of truth and nature. Vines
  - Quite literally, the term "philosophy" means, "love of wisdom." In a broad sense, philosophy is an activity people undertake when they seek to understand fundamental truths about themselves, the world in which they live, and their relationships to the world and to each other. As an academic discipline philosophy is much the same. Those who study philosophy are perpetually engaged in asking, answering, and arguing for their answers to life's most basic questions. Florida State University
- Deceive/Deceived:
  - Leading one into error, to seduce, lead astray. To be led away into error and sin, to fall away from the truth. Vines