# GOLOSSIANS

# COLOSSIANS 2 6-15

# COLOSSIANS 2:6-7 ESV

6 THEREFORE, AS YOU RECEIVED CHRIST JESUS THE LORD, SO WALK IN HIM, 7 ROOTED AND BUILT UP IN HIM AND ESTABLISHED IN THE FAITH, JUST AS YOU WERE TAUGHT, ABOUNDING IN THANKSGIVING.

- LOOK AT THE SYMBOLISM AND IMAGERY PAUL USES TO DESCRIBE FOLLOWING JESUS (WALK IN HIM, ROOTED, BUILT UP IN HIM, ESTABLISHED IN THE FAITH, ABOUNDING IN THANKSGIVING).
- ARE YOU WALKING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST?
- IS YOUR LIFE ROOTED IN THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS?
- IS YOUR LIFE BUILT UPON JESUS?
- IS YOUR FAITH ESTABLISHED?
- HAS FOLLOWING JESUS CAUSED YOU TO HAVE AN ABUNDANCE OF JOY?

#### SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

1 JOHN 2:6 | EPHESIANS 5:1-2 | MATTHEW 7:24-27

# **COLOSSIANS 2:8 ESV**

8 SEE TO IT THAT NO ONE TAKES YOU CAPTIVE BY PHILOSOPHY AND EMPTY DECEIT, ACCORDING TO HUMAN TRADITION, ACCORDING TO THE ELEMENTAL SPIRITS OF THE WORLD, AND NOT ACCORDING TO CHRIST.

### "TAKES YOU "ELEMENTAL CAPTIVE"

#### GK. SYLAGŌGEŌ

• USED TO REFER TO PIRATES PLUNDERING A SHIP

# SPIRITS"

#### GK. STOICHEION

- ELEMENTARY PRINCIPLES
- MULTIPLE MEANINGS THAT DEPEND ON CONTEXT

#### SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

GALATIANS 4:3-9 | HEBREWS 5:12

# COLOSSIANS 2:9-12 ESV

9 FOR IN HIM THE WHOLE FULLNESS OF DEITY DWELLS BODILY, 10 AND YOU HAVE BEEN FILLED IN HIM, WHO IS THE HEAD OF ALL RULE AND AUTHORITY.11 IN HIM ALSO YOU WERE CIRCUMCISED WITH A CIRCUMCISION MADE WITHOUT HANDS, BY PUTTING OFF THE BODY OF THE FLESH, BY THE CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST, 12 HAVING BEEN BURIED WITH HIM IN BAPTISM, IN WHICH YOU WERE ALSO RAISED WITH HIM THROUGH FAITH IN THE POWERFUL WORKING OF GOD, WHO RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD.

- · CIRCUMCISION MEANS TO "CUT OFF."
- IN ORDER TO "PUT OFF THE BODY OF THE FLESH" WE MUST DIE TO OUR SINFUL NATURE, AND FIND NEW LIFE IN CHRIST JESUS.
- · DO YOU SEEK CHANGE IN YOUR LIFE?
- WHAT IS IN YOUR LIFE THAT YOU NEED TO CUT OFF BECAUSE IT IS NOT BRINGING YOU CLOSER TO CHRIST?

#### SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

EPHESIANS 4:21-14 | ROMANS 4:1-9

COLOSSIANS 2:13-15 ESV

13 AND YOU, WHO WERE DEAD IN YOUR TRESPASSES AND THE UNCIRCUMCISION OF YOUR FLESH, GOD MADE ALIVE TOGETHER WITH HIM, HAVING FORGIVEN US ALL OUR TRESPASSES, 14 BY CANCELING THE RECORD OF DEBT THAT STOOD AGAINST US WITH ITS LEGAL DEMANDS. THIS HE SET ASIDE, NAILING IT TO THE CROSS. 15 HE DISARMED THE RULERS AND AUTHORITIES AND PUT THEM TO OPEN SHAME, BY TRIUMPHING OVER THEM IN HIM.

#### EPHESIANS 2:1-2

1 AND YOU WERE DEAD IN THE TRESPASSES AND SINS 2 IN WHICH YOU ONCE WALKED, FOLLOWING THE COURSE OF THIS WORLD

#### **EPHESIANS 2:10**

10 FOR WE ARE HIS WORKMANSHIP, CREATED IN CHRIST JESUS FOR GOOD WORKS, WHICH GOD PREPARED BEFOREHAND, THAT WE SHOULD WALK IN THEM.

#### SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

EPHESIANS 2:1-10 | COLOSSIANS 2:6 | MATTHEW 7:24-27



# MAIN POINTS

# WHAT DO YOU NEED TO CUT OFF FROM YOUR LIFE TO BETTER PURSUE CHRIST?

WHAT IS YOUR LIFE BUILT ON?

IS YOUR SHIP BUILT TO WEATHER THE STORM?

### **MESSAGE DISCUSSION**

Q. WHAT HAS CONVICTED YOU, CHALLENGED YOU OR STOOD OUT TO YOU FROM OUR MESSAGES OR THE SCRIPTURE IN COLOSSIANS SO FAR?

#### **COLOSSIANS 2:6**

Q. WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO WALK IN JESUS, BE ROOTED IN JESUS, AND BUILT AND ESTABLISHED ON JESUS? WHAT DO THOSE THINGS LOOK LIKE IN OUR LIVES? WHY WOULD PAUL DESCRIBE FOLLOWING JESUS THAT WAY?

#### **COLOSSIANS 2:8**

Q. WHAT ARE SOME WAYS THE WORLD TRIES TO TAKE US CAPTIVE (SINK OUR SHIPS)?

Q. WHAT ARE SOME EXAMPLES OF "STOICHEION", THAT WE SEE IN OUR WORLD TODAY? (THINK OF COMMON DECEPTIONS PEOPLE FALL FOR THAT MAY SOUND GOOD, BUT DON'T TRULY SAVE YOU).

#### COLOSSIANS 2:9-12

Q. WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO PUT OFF YOUR OLD SELF?

Q. WHAT DO YOU PUT BEFORE JESUS? WHAT IS POINTING YOU AWAY FROM JESUS AND NEEDS TO BE CUT OFF?

#### COLOSSIANS 2:13-15

Q. IF STUDENTS FEEL COMFORTABLE, ASK THEM TO SHARE WHAT THEIR SHIP/OCEAN LOOKED LIKE. WHAT SEASON ARE YOU GOING THROUGH RIGHT NOW?

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### PERSONAL DISCUSSION

Q. HOW HAS GOD BEEN MOVING IN YOUR LIFE?

Q. ARE YOU BEING DISCIPLED?

Q. WHAT ARE SOME AREAS YOU NEED TO GROW IN SPIRITUALLY OR SOME AREAS GOD HAS BEEN AT WORK IN YOU?

Q. WHAT STEPS OR CHANGES NEED TO BE MADE IN YOUR LIFE TO HELP YOU GROW CLOSER TO CHRIST?

Q. WHAT AREAS ARE YOU STRUGGLING WITH | WHERE DO YOU NEED PRAYER?