



**Series:** Colossians Established in Jesus

**Passage** Colossians 2:1-10

**Title** Establish by Faith in Christ

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### Discussion Starter

What are some of the truths and promises you hold on to that reveal that you are established and confident in your eternal security and faith in Christ?

### Attributes of the Church (Colossians 2:1-3)

- What does it mean to have an encouraged heart? Describe how this type of encouragement shows up and is revealed in the life of a Christian. What are some example of this type of encouragement you have seen in your own life? Read Joshua 1:5-9. Discuss what additional insights you see in these passages of scripture.
- How is being knit together in love different for the church than the so called love that is found in the world outside the church? What are some examples that really test that Christians are knit together in love?
- What are the riches of the full understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God? Why do you think Paul words this passage in this particular way? Read Ephesians 3:1-7, 1:9-10; Colossians 1:26-27; Romans 10:12-13. What are some of the mysteries you see revealed in these passages that were not known before Jesus came and dwelt among us?
- What impact should having the full understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God have on our lives? When you think about the knowledge of Jesus' second coming, what are some of the things that come to your mind?
- What does it mean to be wise in Christ? What scriptures are first to come to your mind? Read Psalm 111:10, Proverbs 11:2, 26:12; James 1:5. Discuss how these verses apply to being wise in Christ.

### Don't be Deceived by Persuasive Words (Colossians 2:4-10)

- What are some of the tactics Satan uses against believers to try to deceive them from living our lives in a manner that understands that we are established in the grace of Jesus Christ? Read Romans 6:20-23 and Philippians 3:13-14. Discuss what additional insights we can glean from these verses.
- What role does scripture play in your confidence of being established as a Christian? Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17. What are some of the things that you are now confident of as a Christian that have been revealed to you through scripture?
- In response to receiving Christ we are to walk in Him. What four ways are outlined in how we are to walk in Christ? Describe in your own words what each one represents in our walk.
- What is the problem Paul is conveying about empty philosophy and how can that be deceiving to Christians? How does this compare to empty religion? Read Romans 1:19-22, 28. How do these verses apply to the questions above?
- What assurance do we see described in Colossians 2:9-10?