



Series: Colossians Established in Jesus
Passage Colossians 2:11-17
Title Victory of the Cross
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Discussion Starter

What core truths can we hold on to as Christians by the knowledge of the Victory of the Cross?

The Simplicity of Our Relationship with Jesus (Colossians 2:9-10)

- How would you describe the simplicity of our relationship with Jesus? In what way does this differ from the other religions and beliefs in the world today?
- Read Isaiah 1:13-20, Micah 6:8 and Mark 12:30-31. What are some of the key elements you see laid out by God's word that enable us to have this simplicity in our relationship with Jesus? What are some of the things you see described in these verses that can get in our way?
- What is the problem with the empty philosophy of tolerance, and why is it so dangerous?
- How would you compare or contrast the empty philosophy of tolerance to the Christian practice of repentance? How do their respective outcomes differ?
- Read Galatians 6:7-8. In what way is this different from the philosophy of karma?

We are Complete in Our Union with Christ (Colossians 2:11-12)

- What is the importance of us knowing that we as Christians are complete in our union with Christ? What does this mean, and what things can get us to believe that we are not complete in our union with Christ? Read John 5:39-40. Discuss what additional insights you see in these verses.
- Read Genesis 12:1-3, 17:7-13. Describe what you believe to be the role and purpose of circumcision in the Old Testament. Who did it apply to and what did it symbolize?
- What is the difference between the Old Testament circumcision, versus what is described in Colossians 2:11? Read Deuteronomy 10:12-16, Romans 2:28-29. What can we glean from these verses and how does it apply the Colossians verse 2:11?
- What is the relationship between circumcision and the baptism mentioned in Colossians 2:12?

Jesus Disarmed Satan & Demons (Colossians 2:13-17)

- What assurance do we have in knowing that Jesus has disarmed Satan and his Demons?
- If Satan and his demons are disarmed by Jesus, why do they still come after us, and what are the schemes and tactics they use?
- Read Ezekiel 18:20, Galatians 3:10-11. 1 Corinthians 15:55-58. How does Jesus' victory on the cross impact us as believers as we live our day to day lives?
- What truths should we hold onto to defend us from the fiery darts that Satan tries to deceive us with? What do you think Satan is trying to keep us from doing as Christians and why?