

[2: COLOSSIANS & PHILEMON]

THURSDAYS, SEP 8-DEC 1 @ 6:30-7:30A
GARDEN RM (158) & ZOOM | HOUSTON'S FIRST — THE LOOP

UNBOUNDED

Paul's Faith from Prison



WARRIOR'S HEART
BUILDING GOD'S KINGDOM ONE MAN AT A TIME

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MEN'S MINISTRY

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FRI, SEP 23 @ 6:30-8:30P – HOUSTON'S FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH (FELLOWSHIP CENTER)

Hooked to

HOLY

with Robby Gallaty

COST: \$15 (DINNER INCLUDED)

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED
AT HOUSTONSFIRST.ORG

THE ENCOUNTER 2022

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Upcoming Calendar

Sep 22.....Tim Young

Sep 29..... Raul Caban

Oct 6.....Daniel Williams

Oct 13.....Dr. Stephen Trammell

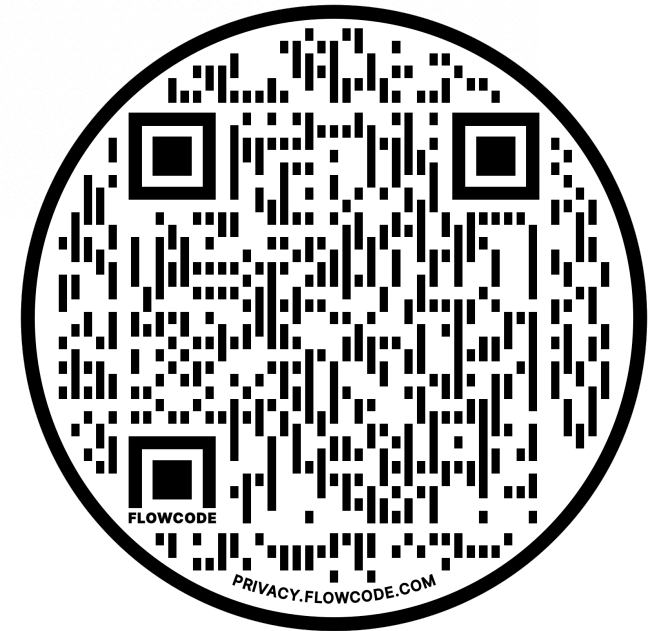
Oct 20.....Chad Chambers





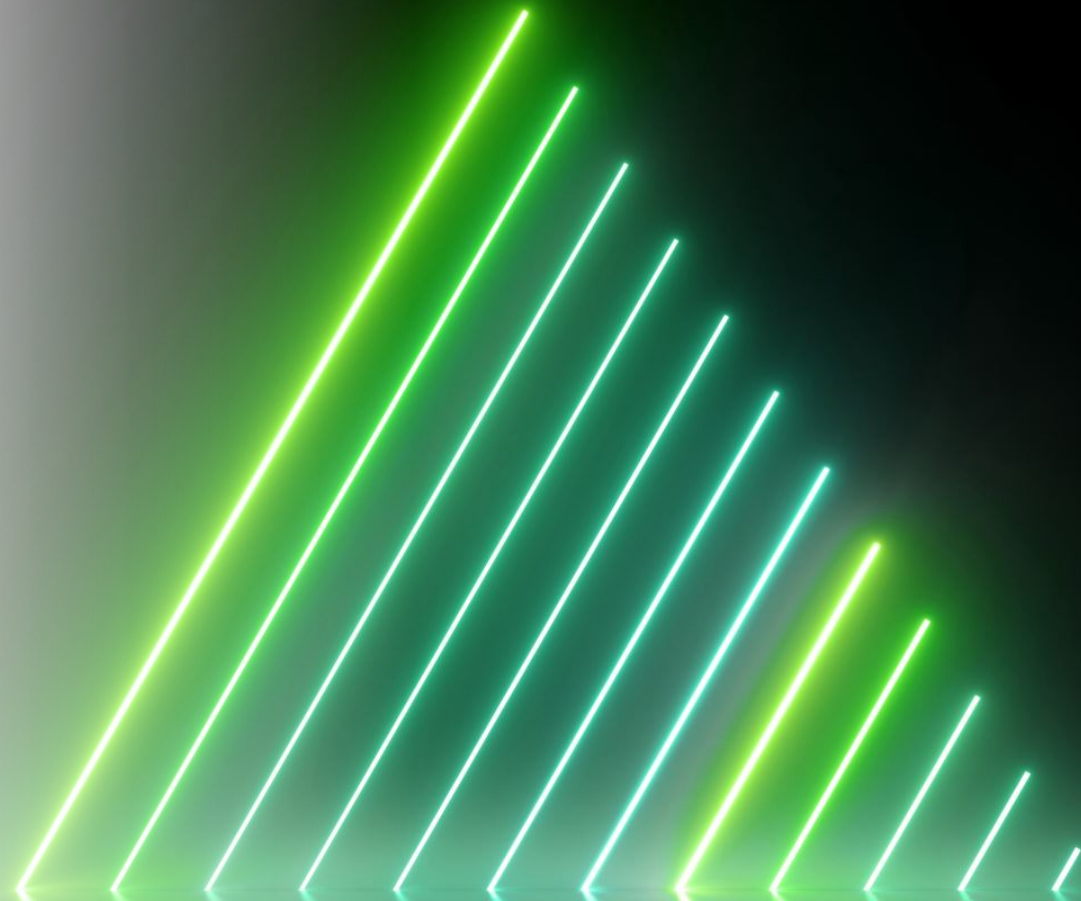
TEN
THOUSAND
SPIRITUAL
FATHERS

**October 1 @ Fellowship Center |
8:30a to 3:30p (Lunch Included)**



Colossians 2:4-10

The Colossian Heresy



Colossians 2:4-10

⁴ I am saying this so that no one will deceive you with arguments that sound reasonable. ⁵ For I may be absent in body, but I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see how well ordered you are and the strength of your faith in Christ. ⁶ So then, just as you have received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to walk in him, ⁷ being rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, and overflowing with gratitude.

Colossians 2:4-10

⁸ Be careful that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit based on human tradition, based on the elements of the world, rather than Christ. ⁹ For the entire fullness of God's nature dwells bodily in Christ, ¹⁰ and you have been filled by him, who is the head over every ruler and authority.

What does a dad making brownies and a Rated R movie have in common?





Pastoral Concerns

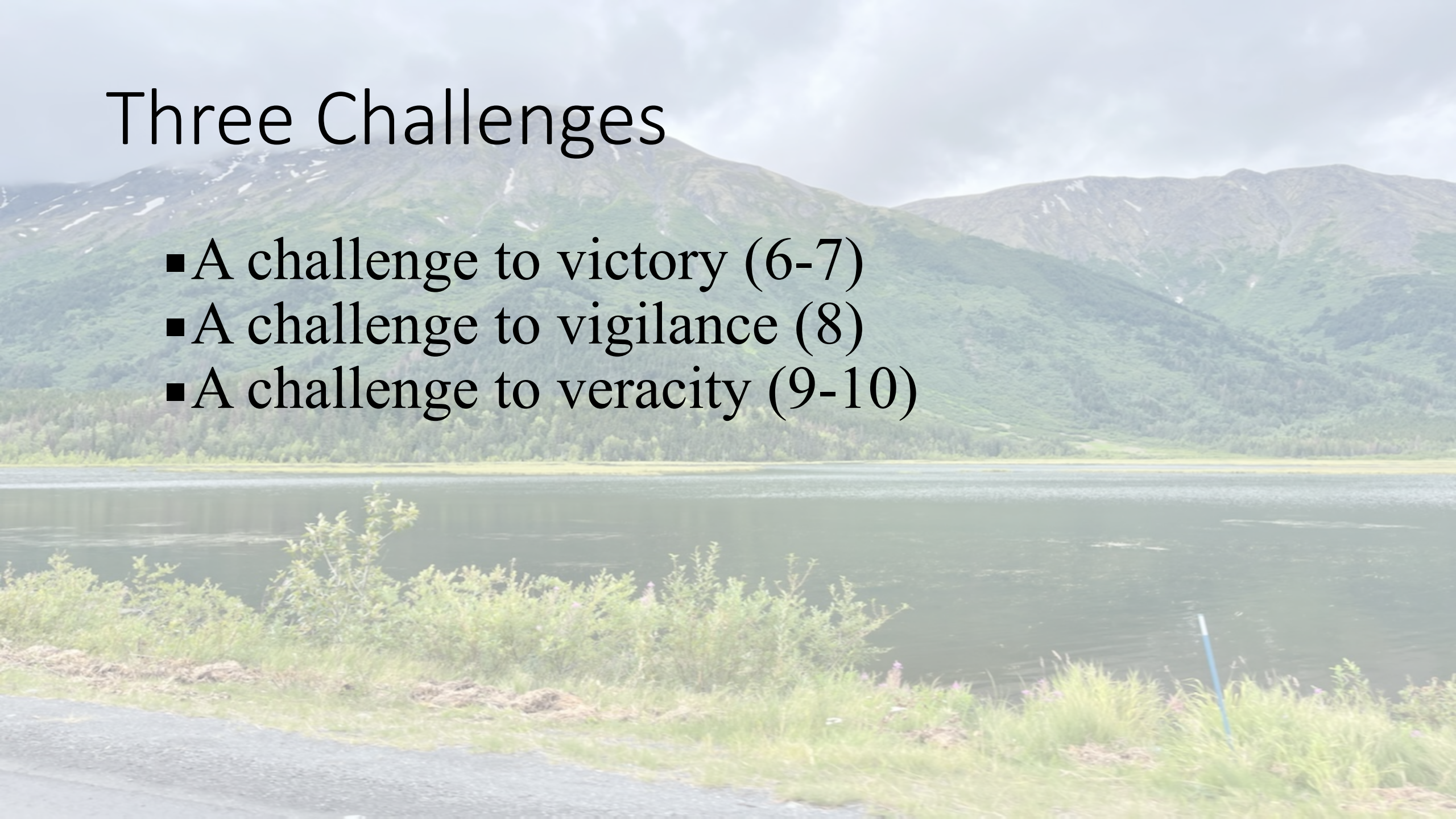


Pastoral Concerns

- Paul is protective of the spiritual health of the church.
 - Satan is deceptive
 - Satan will distract us
 - If we zero in on specifics we miss the whole truth
 - a whole truth with a little lie is a falsehood
- Paul is saying it may sound reasonable but something about it stinks
- Verse 5: Paul's heart is with the church, he is praying for them and encouraging them to pursue and know the real Christ

Three Challenges

- A challenge to victory (6-7)
- A challenge to vigilance (8)
- A challenge to veracity (9-10)



A Challenge to Victory

So then, just as you have received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to walk in him, ⁷ being rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, and overflowing with gratitude.

Colossians 2:6-7

A Challenge To Vigilance

Be careful that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit based on human tradition, based on the elements of the world, rather than Christ.

Colossians 2:8

A Challenge To Veracity

For the entire fullness of God's nature dwells bodily in Christ, ¹⁰ and you have been filled by him, who is the head over every ruler and authority.

Colossians 2:9-10

Discussion Questions

Verses 4-5

1. Why does Paul refer to our being “rooted and built up in” Christ?
2. Is Paul concerned that the church has full assurance of their salvation?
3. Do you or have you had someone concerned for your spiritual health?

Verses 6-10

1. What are some of the traditions of men that are worthless to God?
2. What does Paul mean by not being taken captive by “empty deceit?”
3. What are the “elemental spirits of the world?”
4. What is the best resource available to us to know our heavenly Father?