Shadow and Substance

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Colossians 2:11-23

I. The Shadow of Legalism and the Substance of Christ

- Legalism is Pictured, v.11 <u>Circumcision</u>
- The Work of Christ is Pictured, v.12 <u>Baptism</u>
- Legalism makes bad people good
- Christ makes dead people <u>alive</u>,v.13
- Legalism is impossible to sustain, v. 14
- Beleivers are sustained by the work of Christ on the cross, v.14
- Legalism cannot change a heart, v.23
- The <u>power</u> of Christ can change a haert, v.23

II. The Shadow of Experience and the Substance of Christ, v.18-19

- Expereiences cannot be sustained
- Christ sustains and provides a resource for perserving faith- <u>THE</u> CHURCH
- Experience emphasizes the individual
- Emphasis belongs on <u>Christ</u>
- Experience creates <u>pride</u>
- The work of Christ creates true & humility