



Complete (Intro to Colossians)

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Colossians 1:28-29

2 Corinthians 11:3

But I am afraid that, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your minds will be led astray, from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ.

Ephesians 1:3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ.

1. Our Only Message Is Christ

complete - *pleroo* - Col. 2:10

- nautical term; could read "You are ready for the voyage of life in Him."

- perfect tense = "I am in a present state of having been made complete in Christ."

2. Our Only Method Is Teaching God's Word

complete –

pleroo - Col. 2:10 - everything I need for the journey

telios - Col. 1:28 - to complete the journey

2 Peter 1:3-4

seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence. For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.

1 Thessalonians 2:13

For this reason we also constantly thank God that when you received the word of God which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men, but for what it really is, the word of God, which also performs its work in you who believe.

3. Our Only Mission Is Spiritual Maturity

4. Our Only Means Is The Christ-Life

Ministry:

1. labor - to work to exhaustion, wearisome
2. strive - *agonizomai* (athletic term) - toil, exertion, strain, effort
3. power - *energeia* - to work effectively



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