Colossians Part 3 Handout

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The moment we placed our faith in Jesus Christ, everything about us changed. How does that look to walk that out in our day to day life?

Col. 2:6 - So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him,

Jesus came down to this world, went to the cross and the grave for you and me, conquered death and offered forgiveness of sins to you and me.

KEY: If we didn't get in Christ by works, we are not going to walk in Christ by works.

We walk in Him the same way that we received Him, grace through faith.

Col. 2:7 - rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

Spiritual maturity requires a radical reordering of one's priorities...none of this is possible without the enabling of the Holy Spirit within us...Christ in us.

Col. 2:8 - See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.

• The best question to always ask is, "Is it firmly rooted in Jesus?"

Col. 2:9 9For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form,

- This is the miracle of the incarnation. That Jesus was the fullness of God.
- **Hypostatic Union** The hypostatic union is the personal union of Jesus's two natures fully God and fully man.
 - Because of this hypostatic (one-person) union, Jesus Christ exhibits an unparalleled magnificence. No one person satisfies the complex longings of the human heart like the God-man.

Col. 2:10 10and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority.

- You and I have EVERYTHING we need in Christ to do EVERYTHING that God has called us to do.
- God wants you to walk each and every day in His power. Whatever circumstance you find yourself in, you are to walk in the power of God.

Col. 2:11-12 11In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ, 12having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.

• The same power that raised Christ out of the grave, raised you out of the grave.

Col. 2:13-15 - 13When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, 14 having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. 15 And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

- God took all the debt we owed, all the wrath that should have been on us, and put it on Christ. When we were dead, Christ made us alive.
- Our response: "I AGREE WITH THAT!"

KEY: What honors God is when we agree with God!

We live on the other side of the cross and empty grave. With the reality of our salvation and Christ as our foundation, we can walk forward in obedience.

LOVE LIFE: John 10:10 - I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full!

POINT: "Jesus did not come so that we might live a life of superficial religion. He came so that we might receive new life through supernatural regeneration." -David Platt