

COLOSSIANS – 2:4-7

“As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him.”

- Colossians 2:6

1. 2:4 – Enticing Words

- a. Deceptions (beguile) are enticing – 1 Cor 2:4-5
- b. The world is enticing, but its treasures vain – 1 John 2:15-16; Gen 3:5-6
- c. The deception is that Christ is insufficient – 1 Cor 1:17, Gal 2:21, 5:4
- d. The knowledge of Christ is superior to all things – Phil 3:8
- e. False teachers exist, they name Christ – 2 Cor 11:3-4, Gal 2:4, Eph 5:6

2. 2:5 – Their Order and Steadfastness

- a. Paul is absent, but he faces conflict for them – Gal 2:5, Phil 1:24-26
- b. Order is the method of all things – 1 Cor 14:40
- c. Disorder is rebellion against God – 2 Thess 3:6, Rom 13:2
- d. Steadfastness *def.* – firm, fixed, constant, “hold fast” – 2 Tim 1:13
- e. Conviction is good, but our head is Christ

3. 2:6 – Walk in Christ Alone!

- a. The issue: they had received the faith, but were not walking in it
- b. Walking is by faith in Christ ; faith is understood – Gal 2:20, Rom 10:17
- c. Faith was how we received Christ – Gal 3:3
- d. Christ was all we needed for salvation – Rom 4:5, Rom 5:1
- e. The gospel of Christ is all we need to walk: no lists, requirements, nothing more
- f. We walk not by sight - 2 Cor 5:7, Rom 8:19-25

4. 2:7 – Stablished in the Faith

- a. The Colossians were not rooted in Christ – Col 1:23
- b. Shaken by every wind – Eph 4:12-14, Rom 16:18
- c. We are built as part of the “perfect man”, the body of Christ – Col 2:10
- d. Stablished *def.* – To be stable, to fix, to make permanent
- e. Our walk (our next step) in Christ is to learn again the first things – 2 Cor 9:8
- f. Won’t God give us all things? → Rom 8:32, Phil 4:19
- g. Thanksgiving comes from a sense of obligation – 2 Cor 5:14-15