

COLOSSIANS – 2:13-15

“Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross.”

- Colossians 2:14

1. 2:13 – An Undeserved Position

- a. You were dead and uncircumcised → Eph 2:1-3, Rom 5:6,8,10
- b. Your flesh is wretched – Rom 7:23-24, 8:7-8
- c. Quickened *def.* made alive, revive – 1 Cor 15:42-49
- d. Your permanent position is in heaven – Eph 2:5-6, Phil 3:20
- e. Not the kingdom of heaven – Mat 3:2, 6:9-10, Heb 12:22, 13:14 → Rev 21:10
- f. How? Rom 6:23 - You were forgiven all trespasses – Eph 1:7, Col 1:14
- g. You do not get covenant or conditional forgiveness → 1 John 1:9 & Mat 6:14
- h. Your forgiveness is finished – Eph 4:32, 1 Tim 2:5

2. 2:14 – Not Under the Ordinances

- a. Communion is not an ordinance; baptism was required – Mark 16:16
- b. The ordinances were against us – Rom 2:13-15
- c. Sin is a transgression of the law - 1 John 3:4, Rom 3:20, Rom 4:15
- d. Sin was in the world but not imputed – Rom 5:13-14
- e. The law was added to separate Israel – Gal 3:19
- f. It was abolished, “broken”, blotted out, done away – Eph 2:14-16

3. 2:15 – Spoiling Powers

- a. How were they spoiled? The death and resurrection of Christ
- b. When was he proclaimed victorious? → 2 Tim 2:8
- c. Not at the cross, not by Peter → 1 Pet 1:19, 2:21, 3:18, 4:1
- d. The religious power of the priests – John 2:19, Mat 21:43
- e. The spiritual power of death – 1 Cor 15:54-57, Heb 2:14
- f. The power of darkness of this world – 2 Cor 4:3-4, Eph 6:12, 1 Cor 2:8
- g. The power of the law is conquered – Col 1:13, Eph 4:8, Gal 3:13
- h. The triumph of Christ → the mystery of Christ - Eph 1:19-22, Rom 8:34