



LIFEgroup Discussion Questions

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Colossians: The Supremacy of Christ

Read Colossians 2.16-23

1. As Paul begins this section what does He point us back to (2.16, 13-15)?
2. What warnings are we given in chapter 2 (2.8, 16, 18)?
3. What are the three dangers that Paul mentions (2.16-23)? Define and discuss?
4. What were mere shadows? How does Paul describe Christ in relation to the shadows (2.17)?
5. What is justification and sanctification? How did these dangers threaten them (Galatians 2.15-16, 3.3; Romans 9.31-32)?
6. Who does Paul say, *we must hold fast to*? What does this mean and why as believers do we need to continually hold fast to Jesus (2.19; John 15.4-5)?
7. Paul says, *if you have died with Christ*. Read Romans 6.3-14 and discuss what it says in relation to what Paul says here in 2.20. Also, take some time to discuss Romans 8.12-17.
8. Look at Matthew 19.16-22 and discuss how the rich young ruler relates to Colossians 2.16-23 (This young man respected his parents, was nice to his neighbors, he had not killed anyone, nor stolen anything from anyone. So in the world's view he is a good law abiding citizen, but in heaven's eyes he is evil).

Pray – may legalism be put to death daily in our lives!