

Colossians 2:6-23

Walk In Him

Sermon Outline for November 8, 2015 By Pastor Dennis R. Tuuri

A. ⁶As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, ⁷rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving. ⁸Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ.

⁹For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; ¹⁰and you are complete in Him, who is the head of B. all principality and power.

C. ¹¹In Him you were also circumcised with the circumcision made without hands,

D. by putting off the body of the sins of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, ¹²buried with Him in baptism, in which you also were raised with Him through faith in the working of God,

E. who raised Him from the dead.

E'. ¹³And you, being dead

D'. in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses,

C'. ¹⁴having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

B'. ¹⁵Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it. ¹⁶So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or Sabbaths, ¹⁷which are a shadow of things to come, but the substance [body] is of Christ. ¹⁸Let no one cheat you of your reward, taking delight in false humility and worship of angels, intruding into those things which he has not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind, ¹⁹and not holding fast to the Head, from whom all the body, nourished and knit together by joints and ligaments, grows with the increase that is from God.

A'. ²⁰Therefore, if you died with Christ from the basic principles of the world, why, as though living in the world, do you subject yourselves to regulations— ²¹“Do not touch, do not taste, do not handle,” ²²which all concern things which perish with the using—according to the commandments and doctrines of men? ²³These things indeed have an appearance of wisdom in self-imposed religion, false humility, and neglect of the body, but are of no value against the indulgence of the flesh.

Introduction – Chicago Airport (United Terminal?)

1. Overview of the /text
 - A, Walk and Beware; Competing As's
 - B. Completeness and Supremacy of Christ and Us
 - C., Circumcision w/o Hands Frees Us From Hand-written Requirements
 - D. Flesh, Death and Resurrection
 - E. Rescued From Death in Christ
2. God's Gifts and Our Responses – v. 6, 7
3. Avoiding Becoming Plunder by Focusing On God's Actions
 - A. For Us (vv. 14, 15) (Defeats Sin and Satan)
 - B. In Us (vv. 11-13) (Life from Death, Circumcises Our Heart)

Conclusion - You Are Complete in Him (v. 10)