

Colossians

“Christ the Fullness of God”

What you need to know

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warnings from Paul

2:1-7

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Rev 3:14 "Write this letter to the angel of the church in Laodicea. This is the message from the one who is the Amen—the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God's new creation:

15 "I know all the things you do, that you are neither hot nor cold. I wish that you were one or the other!

16 But since you are like lukewarm water, neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth!...

3:19 I correct and discipline everyone I love. So be diligent and turn from your indifference.

20 "Look! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal together as friends.

Re 3:14 "Escribe al ángel de la iglesia en Laodicea: El Amén, el testigo fiel y verdadero, el origen de la creación de Dios, dice estas cosas:

15 Yo conozco tus obras, que ni eres frío ni caliente. ¡Ojalá fueras frío o caliente!

16 Así, porque eres tibio, y no frío ni caliente, estoy por vomitarte de mi boca....

Re 3:19 "Yo reprendo y disciplino a todos los que amo. Sé, pues, celoso y arrepiéntete.

20 He aquí, yo estoy a la puerta y llamo; si alguno oye mi voz y abre la puerta, entraré a él y cenaré con él, y él conmigo.

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Col 2:4 I am telling you this so no one will deceive you with well-crafted arguments.

5 For though I am far away from you, my heart is with you. And I rejoice that you are living as you should and that your faith in Christ is strong. (1:2, 4, 28 +)

6 And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him.

7 Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.

Col 2:4 Digo esto para que nadie os engañe con falsos argumentos persuasivos.

5 Pues aunque estoy ausente en el cuerpo, no obstante, en espíritu estoy con vosotros, gozándome y mirando vuestro buen orden y la firmeza de vuestra fe en Cristo.

6 Por tanto, de la manera que habéis recibido a Cristo Jesús el Señor, así andad en él,

7 firmemente arraigados y sobreedificados en él, y confirmados por la fe, así como habéis sido enseñados, abundando en acciones de gracias.

avoid Gnosticism

2:8-10

Col 2:8 Don't let anyone capture you with empty philosophies and high-sounding nonsense that come from human thinking and from the spiritual powers of this world, rather than from Christ. (*Gnosticism*)

9 For in Christ lives all the fullness of God in a human body.

10 So you also are complete through your union with Christ, who is the head over every ruler and authority.

Col 2:8 Mirad que nadie os lleve cautivos por medio de filosofías y vanas sutilezas, conforme a la tradición de hombres, conforme a los principios elementales del mundo, y no conforme a Cristo.

9 Porque en él habita corporalmente toda la plenitud de la Deidad;

10 y vosotros estáis completos en él, quien es la cabeza de todo principado y autoridad.

Part of the teaching of Gnosticism was that though Jesus was God, He was not actually, physically man, but some kind of pseudo-physical phantom - but John says, "I heard Him! I saw Him! I studied Him! I touched Him!" David Guzik; Study Guide for 1 John 1

avoid Pharisaical Judaism

2:11-13

Col 2:11 When you came to Christ, you were “circumcised,” but not by a physical procedure. Christ performed a spiritual circumcision—the cutting away of your sinful nature. (*Pharisaical Judaism – “a religion”*)

12 For you were buried with Christ when you were baptized. And with him you were raised to new life because you trusted the mighty power of God, who raised Christ from the dead. (*Rom 6:3-8*)

13 You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins.

Col 2:11 En él también fuisteis circuncidados con una circuncisión no hecha con manos, al despojaros del cuerpo pecaminoso carnal mediante la circuncisión que viene de Cristo.

12 Fuisteis sepultados juntamente con él en el bautismo, en el cual también fuisteis resucitados juntamente con él, por medio de la fe en el poder de Dios que lo levantó entre los muertos.

13 Mientras vosotros estabais muertos en los delitos y en la incircuncisión de vuestra carne, Dios os dio vida juntamente con él, perdonándonos todos los delitos.

avoid Spiritism

2:14-19

Col 2:14 He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.

15 In this way,

he disarmed the spiritual rulers and authorities.

He shamed them publicly

by his victory over them on the cross.

16 So don't let anyone condemn you for what you eat or drink, or for not celebrating certain holy days or new moon ceremonies or Sabbaths.

17 For these rules are only shadows of the reality yet to come. And Christ himself is that reality.

Col 2:14 El anuló el acta que había contra nosotros, que por sus decretos nos era contraria, y la ha quitado de en medio al clavarla en su cruz.

15 También despojó a los principados y autoridades, y los exhibió como espectáculo público, habiendo triunfado sobre ellos en la cruz.

16 Por tanto, nadie os juzgue en asuntos de comida o de bebida, o respecto a días de fiesta, lunas nuevas o sábados.

17 Todo ello es sólo una sombra de lo porvenir, pero la realidad pertenece a Cristo.

1 - Ex 20:3 You shall have no other gods before Me.

#2 - Ex 20:4 You shall not make to yourselves any graven image,
or any likeness of anything that is in the heavens above,
or that is in the earth beneath,
or that is in the water under the earth.

5 You shall not bow yourself down to them, nor serve them.

For I Jehovah your God am a jealous God,
visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the sons
to the third and fourth generation of those that hate me,

6 and showing mercy to thousands of those
that love Me and keep My commandments.

#1 - Ex 20:3 "No tendrás otros dioses delante de mí.

#2 - Ex 20:4 "No te harás imagen,
ni ninguna semejanza de lo que esté arriba en el cielo,
ni abajo en la tierra, ni en las aguas debajo de la tierra.
5 No te inclinarás ante ellas ni les rendirás culto,

porque yo soy Jehovah tu Dios,
un Dios celoso que castigo la maldad de los padres sobre los hijos,
sobre la tercera y sobre la cuarta generación de los que me
aborrecen.

6 Pero muestro misericordia por mil generaciones
a los que me aman y guardan mis mandamientos.

Gal 3:17 This is what I am trying to say: The agreement God made with Abraham could not be canceled 430 years later when God gave the law to Moses. God would be breaking his promise.

18 For if the inheritance could be received by keeping the law, then it would not be the result of accepting God's promise. But God graciously gave it to Abraham as a promise.

19 Why, then, was the law given? It was given alongside the promise to show people their sins. But the law was designed to last only until the coming of the child who was promised. God gave his law through angels to Moses, who was the mediator between God and the people. (NLT)

Ga 3:17 And I say this, A covenant having been ratified to Christ by God in Christ, the Law (coming into being four hundred and thirty years after) does not annul the promise, so as to abolish it.

18 For if the inheritance is of Law, it is no more of promise; but God gave it to Abraham by way of promise.

19 Why then the Law? It was added because of transgressions, until the Seed should come to those to whom it had been promised, being ordained through angels in the Mediator's hand.

Col 2:18 Let no one defraud you, delighting in humility and worship of the angels, intruding into things which he has not seen, without a cause being vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,
19 and not holding the Head, from whom all the body, having been supplied with the joints and bands, and having been joined together, will grow with the growth of God.

Col 2:18 Nadie os prive de vuestro premio, fingiendo humildad y culto a los ángeles, haciendo alarde de lo que ha visto, vanamente hinchado por su mente carnal;
19 y no aferrándose a la cabeza, de la cual todo el cuerpo, nutrido y unido por coyunturas y ligamentos, crece con el crecimiento que da Dios.

Col 2:20 If then you died with Christ from the elements of the world, why, as though living in the world, are you subject to its ordinances:

21 touch not, taste not, handle not;

22 which things are all for corruption in the using, according to the commands and doctrines of men?

23 These things indeed have a reputation of wisdom in self-imposed worship and humility, and unsparing severity the body, not in any honor for the satisfying of the flesh.

Col 2:20 Siendo que vuestra muerte con Cristo os separó de los principios elementales del mundo, ¿por qué, como si aún vivieseis en el mundo, os sometéis a ordenanzas como:

21 "No uses, ni gustes, ni toques"?

22 Tales cosas son destinadas a perecer con el uso, pues son según los mandamientos y las doctrinas de hombres.

23 De hecho, semejantes prácticas tienen reputación de ser sabias en una cierta religiosidad, en la humillación y en el duro trato del cuerpo; pero no tienen ningún valor contra la sensualidad.

