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Fourth Baptist Church

“Confusion in Christianity”

Colossians 2:16-23

Paul mounted a direct attack on the Colossian heresies. In Colossians 2:8-15 he compared the insufficiency of philosophy to the sufficiency of Christ. In Colossian 2:16-23 he confronted the confusion regarding legalism, mysticism, and asceticism.

- I. Legalism: Don't be _____ by men (16-17)
 - A. Criticized for what one _____
 - B. Criticized for how one _____
 - C. Criticized for when one _____

- II. Mysticism: Don't be _____ by experience (18-19)

- III. Asceticism: Don't be _____ by religion (20-23)

- IV. Biblicism: Declare _____ to be all in all
 - A. Christ is our _____ (1:15; 2:9)
 - B. Christ is our _____ (1:16)
 - C. Christ is our _____ (1:18; 2:10, 19)
 - D. Christ is our _____ (1:20; 2:13-14)
 - E. Christ _____ for us (1:14; 2:20)
 - F. Christ has _____ us (1:14; 2:13-14)
 - G. Christ has made us _____ (2:13)
 - H. Christ _____ in us (1:27)
 - I. Christ has _____ us (2:10)