

Christ is an All Sufficient King

Colossians 2.6-10

Main Idea

Jesus Christ was fully God & fully man, and is THE head of ALL rule & Authority...nothing is needed outside of trust in Him for salvation.

Overview

I. Who is Christ? Fully God & Fully Man, the head of all rule & authority (Col. 2.9-10)

- The fullness of Deity dwells (active) in Him: He is God
- Dwells bodily: Incarnation...He was fully man
- Because He was these things His atonement allows for sinful man to be brought to God because He
 was both
- His perfect atonement makes Him Head of ALL rule & authority (Matt. 28.18-20)

II. What is the Danger? We will be held captive by alternate worldly views of Christ (Col. 2.8)

- Philosophy, Empty Deceit, Human Tradition, or Elemental spirits of the world will try to hold us captive to their thinking...we must be warned (Col. 1.28) and not be deluded by plausible arguments (2.4)
- The fact that we are being warned of these things means there is a right way & a wrong way to understand Christ...all versions are not correct (they cant be...it is logically impossible)

III. What should we do? Be Rooted in, Built up in, established in Christ & abound in Thanksgiving (Col. 2.6-7)

- Rooted in: Dig deeper in Christ & His word for a good foundation
- Built up: Do not presume upon what you believe or did in the past, but continue to grow taller
- Established in: This is the end of our rooting and building, that we might be established, satisfied in Him
- All of this causes us to naturally abound in Thanksgiving because we grow in understanding what we have been saved from and to

Questions

Discussion Starter: Share stories of friends, family members, co-workers understanding of Jesus. Or share your own understanding of Jesus before you came to faith in Christ.

- 1. Read Colossians 2:1-10. What are some evidences of Christ's divinity? What are some evidences of Christ's humanity? Why are both needed for salvation?
- 2. In verse 6, what does it mean "you received Jesus Christ as Lord"? How does that connect to verse 10? Discuss the ramifications of 2:10 in daily life.
- 3. In verse 8, what does Paul mean "See to it that no one takes you captive..."?
- 4. Why is it "Jesus plus" or "Jesus minus" arguments would be deemed as having us "captive?"

- 5. In what way is it "loving" to point out these differences instead of letting others persist?
- 6. How are we tempted to be captivated by these arguments?
- 7. How does the Lordship of Christ connect to "walk in him" and to be "rooted and built up in him"? What are ways we can be rooted, built, and established in Christ Jesus as Lord?
- 8. What about this makes should cause us to "abound in thanksgiving"?

Accountability Question: Where are you being held captive to the philosophies or traditions of the world?