

# COLOSSIANS

A STUDY THROUGH PAUL'S LETTER TO THE COLOSSIANS

## WEEK 5

Colossians 2:6-15

## ALIVE IN CHRIST

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### **MAIN TEXT:** Colossians 2:6-15

#### **WORD OF GOD:** *What is this text saying?*

1. Whenever you see the word "therefore" in the text you must ask, "what is it there for?" What is *therefore* referring to in this passage?
2. There is a distinct warning in this passage, and then a lot of reminders about Christ's accomplishments. Discuss the warning, and why Paul might wage war against it with Christ's accomplishments.

#### **WORSHIP OF GOD:** *How does this text affect my relationship with God?*

1. What philosophies are you prone to be "taken captive" by?
2. What would it look like to "abound in thanksgiving?"
3. This passage talks a lot about circumcision. What is Paul talking about here?

#### **COMMUNITY OF GOD:** *How does this text affect our relationships with each other?*

1. How could you encourage a brother or sister in Christ who is struggling with competing philosophies?
2. What role does reminding one another of Christ's accomplishments play in the life of the church?

#### **MISSION OF GOD:** *What action steps are needed in response to this text?*

1. What does this text lead you to do in light of the captivating, empty, human, worldly traditions? How do we affect this world for Christ in spite of the inherent dangers?
2. When dealing with the world, what can you do to protect yourself?

