

Colossians 2:6-15

Alive Together

(raised up)

With Christ

1. **Faith and Practice...** Faithfulness in Christ (v. 6-8)
2. **The Sufficiency in Christ...** Christ's Work in You (v. 9-15)

Colossians 1:24 - 2:5
Christ In You,
The Hope of Glory

- ❖ The apostle's suffering for the church's sake (and striving)
- ❖ The apostle as a servant to we-church & maturing everyone
- ❖ The mystery of Christ Himself & Christ in you

1. Faith and Practice... Faithfulness in Christ (v. 6-8)

Colossians 2:6 Therefore as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, **7** having been firmly rooted and now being built up in Him and established in your faith, just as you were instructed, and overflowing with gratitude.

The gospel is for living...not just for a checked box.

practicing...

a position.

faithfulness...

forgiveness.

(daily) thanksgiving...

Easter (holidays).

1. Faith and Practice... Faithfulness in Christ (v. 6-8)

Colossians 2:8 See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, **rather than according to Christ.**

Watch out for people who are too smart for their own good.
too tied tight to religion/works.
too independent for God's use.

2. The Sufficiency in Christ...Christ's Work in You (v. 9-15)

Colossians 2:9 For **in Him** all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form, **10** and **in Him** you have been made complete, and **He is the head over all rule and authority; 11** and **in Him** you were also circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, in the removal of the body of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ; **12** having been buried **with Him** in baptism, in which you were also **raised up with Him** through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.

Through Christ work, you can be alive together with Him, overcoming evil, because He is head over all rule & authority.

2. The Sufficiency in Christ...Christ's Work in You (v. 9-15)

Colossians 2:13 When you were dead in your transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh, **He made you alive together with Him,** having forgiven us all our transgressions, **14** having canceled out the certificate of debt consisting of decrees against us, which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. **15** When **He had disarmed the rulers and authorities,** He made a public display of them, having triumphed over them **through Him.**

Jesus redeemed us by bearing our sins in His death on the cross, overcoming evil, disarming all rulers and authorities.