

Colossians 2:8-10

Series: Colossians: Maturing as a Jesus-Follower

“Christ & His Rivals”

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Introduction:

What is the point of the *jogging* then *not-jogging* story?

Why are sometimes more susceptible to the *subtle* temptations to sin than we are the *overt* ones?

What is one of Satan’s most timeless tricks in leading us to sin?

1. FREEDOM for Paul:

How was Paul uniquely qualified to speak about freedom?

2. CAPTIVITY for Paul:

What other words in the New Testament does Paul use to describe sin’s effect on our lives?

How is “human tradition” a risk to the follower of Jesus?

What does Paul mean by “elemental spiritual forces”?

How does Colossians 2:10 give us encouragement in our struggle against sin and temptation?

*“For Paul . . . addition means subtraction:
one cannot ‘add’ to Christ without,
in effect, subtracting from his exclusive place
in Creation and in salvation history.”*

- Douglas Moo -