

Colossians Series

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A landscape photograph showing a field of trees in the foreground, a hill in the middle ground, and mountains in the background under a clear sky. The text is overlaid on the image.

COLOSSIANS:

Jesus Christ is All-Sufficient

**How to Have a Full,
Rich, Robust Life
Colossians 2:8–9**

Colossians 2:6, “As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him,

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ETERNAL REALITIES

TEMPORAL REALITIES

“POSITIONAL TRUTH”

ACTS 16:31



IN CHRIST

Baptism by the Holy Spirit

FILLED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT

“Walking by the Holy Spirit”

Col.2:7, “rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving.”

ῥιζόω *hrizoo*

perf mid part masc plur
nom

βεβαιόω *bebaioo*

pres mid part masc plur nom

“to confirm”

“and by being established
being established in *the
faith*”

ἐποικοδομέω *epoikodomeo*

pres mid part masc plur nom

“to build something on
something already there”

περισσεύω *perisseuo*

pres act part masc plur nom

“to abound, to overflow”

Col 2:4, “Now this I say lest anyone should deceive you with persuasive words.”

Col. 2:8, “Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ.”

Colossians 1:19, “For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell,”

Colossians 2:9, “For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily;”

Colossians 1:18, “And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.”

Colossians 2:10, “and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.”

Colossians 1:16, “For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.”

Colossians 2:10, “and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.”

Colossians 1:20, “and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.”

Colossians 2:15, “Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.”

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συλαγωγέω *sulagōgēō*;

pres act ptcp, mns.

“to gain control of by carrying off as booty, make captive of, rob”

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κενός kenós;

“empty of all intellectual, moral, spiritual value; empty of truth or power”

ἄπότη apátē;

“pleasure, deceit”

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- 2. Basic or elementary principles**
- 3. Spiritual beings (not until 3rd century AD)**

Galatians 4:9, “But now after you have known God, or rather are known by God, how is it that you turn again to the weak and beggarly elements, to which you desire again to be in bondage?”

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Deuteronomy 4:19, “And take heed, lest you lift your eyes to heaven, and when you see the sun, the moon, and the stars, all the host of heaven, you feel driven to worship them and serve them, which the Lord your God has given to all the peoples under the whole heaven as a heritage.”

Deuteronomy 32:17, “They sacrificed to demons, not to God, to gods they did not know, to new gods, new arrivals that your fathers did not fear.”

1 Cor. 10:20, “Rather, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice they sacrifice to demons and not to God, and I do not want you to have fellowship with demons.”

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θεότης theotes

The divine nature, “the state of being God.” (BDAG)

Only here.

θειότης, theiotes

“The quality or characteristic(s) pertaining to deity.” (BDAG)

Rom. 1:20