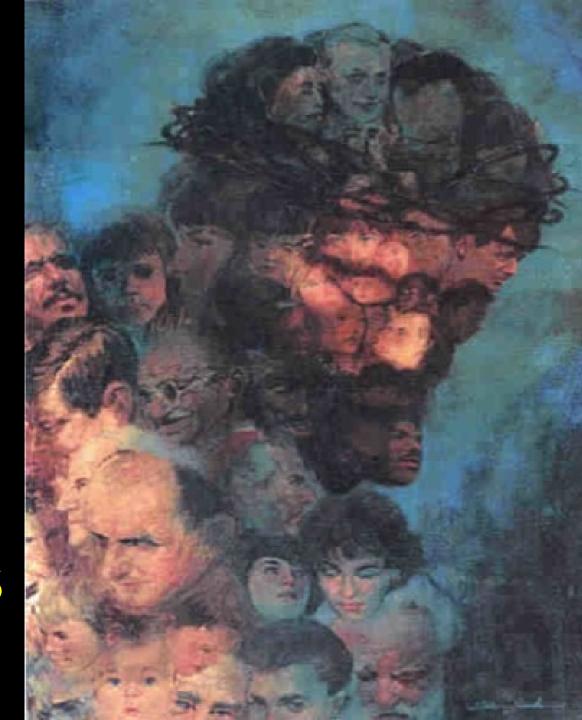
THE
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CHRIST

COLOSSIANS 2:1-23



## I. The goal is for full assurance in Christ, the source of all reality (v.1-5).

 What is involved in the progression of Paul's goal for the Colossians?

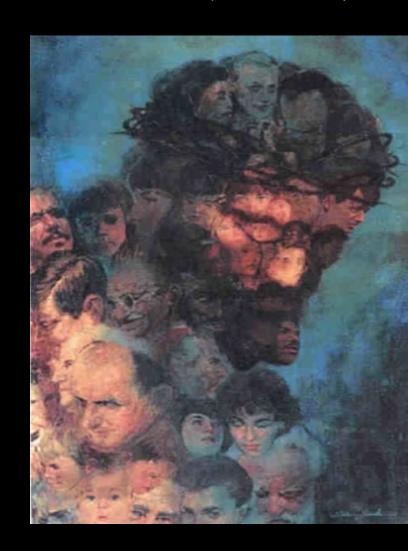
 What obstacles need to be overcome so that this can still be implemented?



## II. In Christ we are freed from "the basic principles of the world" (v.6-8).

 What behaviors will help protect us from empty philosophies?

 What will help you to be overflowing with thankfulness?



# III. In Christ, all of the fullness of God is pleased to dwell (v.9-12).

 How can the fullness of God live in Jesus and then in us?

 What happened when you were raised with Christ through faith?

### IV. The reality found in Christ overcomes the written code (v.13-19).

- How are the weaknesses of the law overcome by the reality of Christ?
- What will protect us from being disqualified by one who is puffed up?
- How do our connections in the body of Christ help us grow?



## V. The reality of Christ saves us from self-imposed rituals (v.20-23).

 Why can't self-imposed regulations help us to grow in Christ?

 How can our 'dying with Christ' help us become morally pure?



#### Call to Action: To allow the reality of Christ in us to bear fruit in our lives.

- What is helping you to live out the reality of Christ?
- Who would describe you as overflowing in thankfulness?
- Are you enjoying following Christ instead of rules?
- How is the body helping you grow?
- Is Christ making you pure?

-How can we help?

