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Colossians 2:16 to 3:2

## FINDING FREEDOM IN CHRIST

### I. Introduction:

He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed **free**,  
Luke 4:18

<sup>32</sup> Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you **free**.”  
John 8:32

<sup>36</sup> So if the Son sets you **free**, you will be **free** indeed.” John  
8:36

“Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is **freedom**.”  
2 Corinthians 3:17

“It is for **freedom** Christ has set us **free**”. Galatians 5:1

“See to it that no one takes you captive....” Colossians 2:8

Review of Colossian

- Do \_\_\_\_\_
- Experience \_\_\_\_\_
- Give Up \_\_\_\_\_

Their key word was \_\_\_\_\_!  
In answer, Paul reminds them Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_!

### II. Three Religious Freedom Killers For Christians

A. \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>16</sup> Therefore do not let anyone **judge** you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day. <sup>17</sup> These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in **Christ**.” Colossians 2:16-17

Solution: Remember the \_\_\_\_\_  
Behind the \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>18</sup> Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you. Such a person also **goes into great detail** about what they have seen; **they are puffed up with idle notions by their unspiritual mind.**” Colossians 2:18

Solution: Worship the \_\_\_\_\_  
Not the \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>19</sup> They have lost connection with the head, from whom the whole body, supported and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows as God causes it to grow.” Colossians 2:19

C. \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>20</sup> Since you died with Christ to the elemental spiritual forces of this world, why, as though you still belonged to the world, do you submit to its **rules**: <sup>21</sup> **“Do not handle! Do not taste! Do not touch!”**? Colossians 2:20-21

<sup>22</sup> These **rules**, which have to do with things that are all **destined to perish with use**, are **based on merely human commands and teachings.**” Colossians 2:22

<sup>23</sup> Such regulations indeed have an appearance of wisdom, with their self-imposed worship, their false humility and their harsh treatment of the body, but **they lack any value in restraining sensual indulgence.**” Colossians 2:23

Solution: Refocus on the \_\_\_\_\_  
Not the \_\_\_\_\_

**3** Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, **set your hearts on things above**, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> **Set your minds on things above**, not on earthly things.” Colossians 3:1-2

### III. Conclusion And Application:

Let your heart be \_\_\_\_\_...by  
\_\_\_\_\_!