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# "CONSPICUOUS RELIGION?" COLOSSIANS 2:20-23

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#### INTRODUCTION

#### A. WHY BUY THESE ....?

- 1. PRINCIPLES OF THE WORLD?
- 2. PRACTICES OF THE LAW?
- 3. PROBLEMS WITH THE FLESH?

## B. ... WHEN THIS IS BETTER!

- 1. THE DEATH OF CHRIST ... DEFEATS THE WORLD
- 2. THE DEATH OF CHRIST... MEETS THE LAW'S DEMANDS
- 3. THE DEATH OF CHRIST... DISARMS THE FLESH

#### LESSONS & APPLICATIONS...

- #1. REVEL IN THE RESULTS OF CHRIST'S DEATH
- #2. RECOGNIZE SPIRITUAL SLAVERY & FREEDOM ARE DIFFERENT
- #3. REFUSE SELF-MADE RELIGION
- #4. REMEMBER, WE LIVE AS PILGRIMS IN THIS WORLD
- #5. REJOICE & THRIVE IN YOUR NEW LIFE IN CHRIST



### COLOSSIANS 2:28-30 (ESV)

20 If with Christ you died to the elemental spirits of the world, why, as if you were still alive in the world, do you submit to regulations— 21 "Do not handle, Do not taste, Do not touch" 22 (referring to things that all perish as they are used)—according to human precepts and teachings? 23 These have indeed an appearance of wisdom in promoting self-made religion and asceticism and severity to the body, but they are of no value in stopping the indulgence of the flesh.