

THE GOSPEL IS ENOUGH

Colossians 2.9-15

WE HAVE BEEN FILLED

Colossians 2.9, 10 // Ephesians 1.3-14 // Joel 2.28, 29

If the measure of your own perfection is the measure of your assurance, you will always be a fearful, timid Christian.

But if the measure of the perfection of Jesus Christ is the measure of your assurance, you are ripe for the Gospel to empower you.

The Gospel isn't about work,
it's about resting in God's work done on our behalf.

John 6.28, 29, 19.30 // 2 Peter 1.3 // Hebrews 4.9-13

HOW DID THIS HAPPEN?

Colossians 2.11, 12

Circumcision of the Heart: the Old Testament "outward sign" of a life committed to God was circumcision. It was meant to outwardly declare a "circumcision of the heart," that one's heart was to shed unbelief. However, most Jews simply trusted in the outward sign and did not have an inward change, and so therefore their outer circumcision was in vain as they were not true Jews.

Deuteronomy 10.16, 30.6 // Jeremiah 4.4 // Romans 2.25-29

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

Colossians 2.13-15 // 1 John 4.4 // Romans 8.37-39 // 2 Corinthians 2.12-16

Because of the circumcision of our hearts, which is a true baptism, we then become physically baptized to show that we have been raised in Christ and adopted into the family of God through faith. Our sins have been nailed to the cross, and we now have full unity with Him and get to enjoy the fact that nothing can separate us and that we are now more than conquerors in Him.



NOTES:

Other Suggested Resources:

A MUST WATCH 18 minute video by Pastor John Piper on the Supremacy of Christ
www.youtube.com/watch?v=TIGCjawkSfc

Pastor Tullian Tchividjian speaking on Colossians 1.24-2.5. click on Part 10
www.crpc.org/resources/sermons/series/colossians

Daily Devotionals:

Monday: Colossians 2.9, 10 // Ephesians 1.3-14 // Joel 2.28, 29

Tuesday: John 6.28, 29, 19.30 // 2 Peter 1.3 // Hebrews 4.9-13

Wednesday: Colossians 2.11, 12 // Ephesians 1.3 // Luke 12.11 // Acts 4.31

Thursday: Deuteronomy 10.16, 30.6 // Jeremiah 4.4 // Romans 2.25-29

Friday: Romans 8.25, 27, Ephesians 2.11-22, 3.4-6

Saturday: Colossians 2.13-15 // 1 John 4.4 // Romans 8.31-39 // 2 Corinthians 2.12-16

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

BAPTISM, PARENT DEDICATION & PICNIC

Join us today after church as we not only celebrate **1 Year** after our first Life Mission meeting, but also a **Baptism and Picnic!** If you would like to be baptized, it's not too late! Join Jobey after church for a brief, 15 minute mini-class on baptism.

JESUS + NOTHING = EVERYTHING

If you ordered a book, they are available to pick up at the **Connection Booth** in the Courtyard. Please bring **\$14** if you have not already paid.

KIDS ON MISSION

Please log on to check out www.lifemissionchurch.com and click "Kids" at the top to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey's heart and his walk through of our curriculum.

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Jesus + Nothing = Everything
Reading Plan

Chapter 3, pages 35-43
Eight pages...you're doing great!



SAVE.

Jesus was sent to save. We have been saved to be sent. We are sent into our community to share the Good News that Christ came to save us, and we hope to see many who find new life.

EQUIP.

We want to equip those very people in the Word so that they can continue to grow as disciples of Christ. From our preschool to our adults, our passion is to see everyone equipped in the Gospel to live a life of freedom and joy.

SEND.

Lastly, we then want to see those equipped people sent into their community and world. From schools and playgrounds, to families and work places, we want to see people who are spiritual leaders in their life, showing people the truth of Christ's Good News.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Read **Colossians 2.9-15**. What stuck out to you the most or was the most impactful from the message on Sunday or from these verses? _____

Read **verse 10** again. How could it change how you live your life believing that you have already been completely filled in Him? How might knowing that change even the way you pray? _____

On Sunday, Jobey mentioned that we are like a balloon being filled to the brim with ocean water. How does this picture help you understand how (and how much) Christ fills you now, as well as how He grows you for future needs? Read **Ephesians 1.3, Luke 12.11, Acts 4.31, and 2 Peter 1.3**. _____

Some of **verses 11-15**, especially about circumcision, can be hard to grasp. Paul here is showing them the difference between an outward sign or action, compared to what is going on in the inside, which is something only God can do. At **Life Mission**, we only baptize folks who have the ability to make a profession of genuine faith. How do these verses point us to that conclusion? _____

Read **Deuteronomy 10. 16** and **Romans 2.25-29**. What do we learn about God's plan for salvation even for the Old Testament Jews, and continuing in to the New Testament, when non-Jews were being accepted into the family of God?

The centerpiece of the Gospel is not simply forgiveness, but it is more than that. God has adopted His enemies and called them to be part of His family, whom He has called Israel, His people, from the beginning. What does your adoption, even as a non-Jew, mean for your place in God's family? Read **Galatians 3.28, 29, John 10.16, Romans 8.25, 27, Ephesians 2.11-22, 3.4-6**. How do these verses paint a picture of who we are now as we are in Christ? _____

In a shockingly real way, we see that we have been adopted as children into the household of Israel. We are considered, in God's eyes, as Jews, not because of our physical lineage or "outer circumcision," but because He has caused us to be born of Him, circumcised in heart. How does this deepen your understanding of God's love, care, and commitment toward you on a day to day basis? _____

Read **Romans 8.31-39** and **1 John 4.4**. How do these verses bring weight to the bigger picture of adoption and it's benefits? How does this bigger picture add to the smaller, though important, perspective of just simply being forgiven? _____

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