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NAVIGATING CULTURAL CHAOS





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Jesus Is First

... Greater Than Moses

... Greater Than *All Gentile* “gods”



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Greek Dualism

Spirit *Good* ... Body *Bad*

Asceticism: Ignore The Body

Mysticism: Ignore The Mind



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The Ways Of Religion
Philosophy: Love Of Knowledge
Legalism: Love For Laws, Rules
Mysticism: Worship “Other” Spirits
Asceticism: Worship Human Will



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2:1-7

**We Are “Rooted”
A Foundation Is Laid**

**Christ: Source Of Wisdom
Christ: Source Of Our Walk**



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2:8

The Peril Of Philosophy

**Rooted In Freedom —
Not Captives Of Deception**

**The “Stoicheia” A Series Of
Spiritual Beings**

To Lead Us Back To “The Source”



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2:9-15

The True “Philosophy”

11 Circumcised: Power Of Flesh Is Broken

12 Buried: Former Life Is Ended

13 Raised: A New Life Begins

14 Forgiven: Sin Debt Paid (*And Forgotten*)

15 Victory: All Enemies Defeated

Complete In Christ!

What Can Religion Add?



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2:16-17

The Peril Of Legalism

Rules For Salvation Worship Of Shadows



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2:18-19

The Peril Of Mysticism

**False “Humility”
Seeking False “Angels”**



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2:20-23

The Peril Of Asceticism

**False “Wisdom”
Man-Made Religion**



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Jesus Is First!

2:9 ... The Fullness Of Deity

In Bodily Form

2:19 ... The Head Of His Church

Where His Body Grows



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True Sanctification:
The Holy Life

