





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



#### 2:1-7

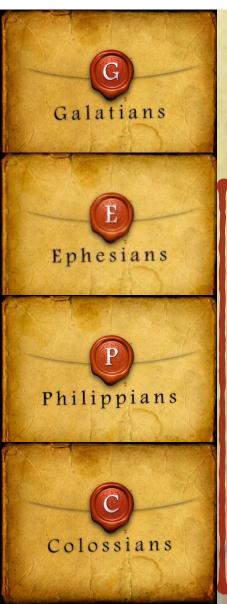
#### We Are "Rooted" A Foundation Is Laid

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



### 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"



#### 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?



## 2:16-17 The Peril Of Legalism

### Rules For Salvation Worship Of Shadows



## 2:18-19 The Peril Of Mysticism

False "Humility"
Seeking False "Angels"



### 2:20-23 The Peril Of Asceticism

### False "Wisdom" Man-Made Religion



# Jesus Is First! 2:9 ... The Fullness Of Deity In Bodily Form 2:19 ... The Head Of His Church Where His Body Grows



