

COLOSSIANS

Can We Really Change?

Part 3: NO SUBSTITUTES

Colossians 2:6-15

As you read: *Underline nouns; double underline verbs; circle descriptive words; make a list of the key words.*

**WE ARE NOT DESTINED TO BE HELD CAPTIVE TO THE
TRADITIONS OF MEN**

= EMPTY SUBSTITUTES

**WE DO NOT HAVE TO BE IN BONDAGE TO
RELIGIOUS ACTIVITY**

= LEGALISTIC SUBSTITUTES

**WE DO NOT HAVE TO BE PARALYZED BY A
FEAR OF OUR ENEMY**

= POWERLESS SUBSTITUTES

TODAY'S TRUTH:

**REAL CHANGE COMES FROM
A REAL RELATIONSHIP**

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Resources: Try our parent guides: www.cornerstonekids.church

Group & Personal Study Guide

What stood out to you from the Sunday message?

Colossians 2:6-7

- What are some reasons believers seem to stop growing spiritually?
- What are some of the consequences of being stagnant in your faith?

Colossians 2:8-10

- What traditions or trends do you work hard to keep up with?
- What tangible evidence can others observe that Christ is real to you and that you are seeking to make Him first in your life?

Colossians 2:11-14

- What does it mean to be circumcised in Christ?
- What does it look like to be free from the law or the "list" of rules we believe God's love hinges on? What does it look like in your daily life?

Colossians 2:15

- What are some struggles in your life that you blame the enemy for?
- How have you given the enemy power in your life? How can you take back what the enemy has stolen from you?

Challenge: We often hope that one day we will just arrive and become the person that we've always dreamed of being. Deep down we know that it's a process and it's something we have to choose daily to pursue. What substitutes have gotten in your way of going further with Christ? How can you change that in your life?

Dig Deeper: Study these verses: Hebrews 6; Philippians 4; 2 Timothy 1:6-14; Hebrews 4:12-16

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