

**Not Legalism But Christ! Pt1**  
(Colossians 2:11-12)

1. Avoid the false teaching of \_\_\_\_\_! (Col. 2:11-17)
  - What is legalism?

Legalism is the mental \_\_\_\_\_ which seeks to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ the blessings of God by religious rituals or good works for either salvation to sanctification.
  - Legalism...
    - ...is big on \_\_\_\_\_.
    - ...encourages \_\_\_\_\_ (self-righteousness) or ends in \_\_\_\_\_.
    - ...results in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
    - ...leads to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
    - ...is contrary to \_\_\_\_\_.
    - ...is big on non-biblical \_\_\_\_\_ or perverts biblical \_\_\_\_\_.
    - ...says in effect, "Jesus Christ is not \_\_\_\_\_."
  - Legalism is one imbalance to avoid in the Christian life and the other is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Legalism arouses the \_\_\_\_\_ to perform the Christian life. (Rom 7)
2. In Christ, you have been freed from the \_\_\_\_\_ of your sin nature. (Col. 2:11)
  - What are the different types of circumcision?
    - Circumcision of the \_\_\_\_\_ is an outward sign of the covenant between God and Israel (Gen. 17:9-14).
    - Circumcision of the \_\_\_\_\_ which is when the heart is walking by faith in God (Deu. 10:12-22).
    - Circumcision of \_\_\_\_\_ which is a release of the believer from the bondage to the sin nature (Col. 2:11).
  - What do we know about this circumcision mentioned in verse 11?
    - It involves \_\_\_\_\_ believers in Christ.
    - It occurred in the \_\_\_\_\_ when you were placed in Christ.

- It was performed to you on the \_\_\_\_\_ not physically on your body.
- It concerns \_\_\_\_\_ of the authority of the sin nature to rule in your life.
- Therefore, we conclude that this is speaking of the circumcision \_\_\_\_\_ or spiritual circumcision.

- What does this mean to you?

3. You are \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ through the baptism by the Holy Spirit (Col. 2:12).

- What kind of baptism is in view here?

- This baptism includes \_\_\_\_\_ believers.
- This baptism involves a \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_.
- This baptism occurred at a \_\_\_\_\_ in time when you trusted Jesus Christ for salvation.
- This baptism was performed \_\_\_\_\_ you.
- There is no mention of \_\_\_\_\_ in this baptism.
- Therefore, this is the baptism by the \_\_\_\_\_ which is the identification of you as Christ's \_\_\_\_\_.
- This is an \_\_\_\_\_ truth concerning how God views you, a believer in Christ.

- What is true of your identification with Christ?

- Not experienced \_\_\_\_\_
- Not given \_\_\_\_\_
- Not given on the basis of human \_\_\_\_\_
- Obtained in total (completely) at the \_\_\_\_\_ of salvation.
- Only realized by divine \_\_\_\_\_
- Is \_\_\_\_\_ and never-changing.
- This relationship is \_\_\_\_\_ of every believer, but it is visible only to God.
- It is \_\_\_\_\_.

- How does water baptism relate to this baptism?

It is an outward \_\_\_\_\_ of the inward reality.