

Do Not Be Cheated!

(Colossians 2:18-23)

1. Don't be _____ from your reward by seeking spiritual fulfillment in anything other than Jesus Christ who is _____! (Col. 2:18-19)
 - Mysticism – is a false belief that encourages its adherents to possess a deeper or higher spiritual state based upon some spiritual _____, subjective _____, inward _____, or extra-biblical _____.
 - Mysticism will disqualify the believer from gaining a _____.
 - What reward is the believer in danger of losing?
 - Mysticism creates the illusion of humility but promotes _____.
 - Does this go on today?
 - What is the result of this?

- What is the antidote?

_____ in Christ who _____ the Body and promotes _____.

2. Do not _____ to rules and practices which seem spiritual in nature but are really _____ and will _____ your Christian life. (Col. 2:20-23)

- Ascetism – the false belief that the blessings of God and the sanctifying of the soul come from the _____ of the body.

- Where do these regulations originate?

- Why should the believer be a non-conformist?

Because you _____ from the basic principles of the world.

- What is the result of these practices?

- What does one gain from performing these practices?

- What does one lose when performing these practices?

Takeaway

❖ You are _____ in Christ!

❖ You have _____ you need to live the Christian life!

❖ Therefore, do not seek to be spiritual through experiences, feelings, intellect, and ascetic practices, instead _____ with Christ!