The Life and Letters of Paul

Colossians 2

1. **We know that the bible speaks on going from Glory to Glory, however there may be season of hardship to hardship, how do you respond to these seasons. Do you consider others in this time? (stranger as well)**

Col 1:29/Col 2:1/ 2 Corinthians 3:18(NKJV)-Glory to Glory

2. **Paul's main objective for the church of Colossae and Laodicea (10 miles away) was to be Encouraged, Unified and Confident in Christ and nothing more.**

Col 2:2-3/ Hebrews 10:25- encourage one another in Christ/ Ephesians 2:12-13-unified in Christ/ Philippians 1:6(NKJV)- being confident

3. **Paul's reason for the church to be grounded in Christ on every topic was because men with well-crafted arguments(cappers) where misleading believers than and now.**

Col 2:4-5/ 2 Timothy 3:13-14- impostors will flourish/ Jude 1:4- ungodly people have wormed

4. **If it started with Jesus, Walk in Jesus, be rooted in Jesus and Grow In Jesus.**

Col 2:6-7/ 1 John 2:6(NKJV)- walk just as He walked/ Ephesians 3:17- Your roots will grow/ 2 Peter 3:18- you must grow

5. **Many times, in the church we will take traditions of men and make that the focal point in our walks and when others are not willing to adhere to this their very faith is challenged.**

Col 2:8-10/ Mark 7:7-9- teach man-made ideas (3 easy steps, live how u want, ect)

6. **Many times, we will try to make our faith walk more about what and what not to do, when it is about what Jesus already did. (In this case he uses 2 topics of discussion circumcision and baptism. (traditions of men)**

Col 2:11-12/ Galatians 2:11-16-Paul challenges Peter/ 1 Corinthians 1:17-Baptize

7. **If we were to look back on how we were saved, redeemed and made new, we would realize that it had nothing to do with what we did. Paul wants the Church to know this when some say otherwise.**

Col 2:13-15/ Eph.2.11-12- used to be, You were excluded

8. **Paul warns the church that outsider will try to come in and "Condemn" the church of Colosse into what they feel is the right way when in turn it is misleading.**

Col 2:16-19/ John 14:6- Jesus is the way/

9. **Paul ends the chapter stating that trying to achieve a laundry list of Do' and Don'ts will rid you of evil desires, a repented life is the only way to overcome these.**

Col 2:20-23/ 2 Corinthians 7:10- leads us away from sin/ Ezekiel 33:19/ turn from their wickedness