

Lifting Up Christ In Colossians “Our Defense Against Deception”

Col 2. 8 See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ. 9 For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, 10 and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority.

To Face Grandiose and Complex New Gospels, See Him Big and Keep It Simple

1. You Can Be Deceived

1. Paul clearly assumes this possibility in believers

8 See to it that no one takes you captive

2. Pal merely echoes what is clearly taught in the rest of Scripture:

Jer 29:8, Mat 24:41, Cor 3:18, 6:9, 15:33, 1 John 3:7

2. You will Hear Grandiose and Complex New Gospels

A. The Dangers of Philosophy

Jer 17:9

B. the Danger of Tradition

- there is a good “tradition” and a proper use of it

**1 Cor 11:2, 2 thess 2:15 – the Word of God handed
down**

- Jesus condemned bad use of tradition

Mat. 15:2-6

3. Avoid Such Deception By Keeping Christ Big and His Gospel simple

See Him Big

vs. 9 – he is all of God -

vs. 10 He is all we need -

vs. 10 – He is over all –

Keep It Simple

2 Cor 11:3 – His Gospel is simple