

First Week 7 Study Questions

Read Colossians 2:16-23

If you could sum up the passage in one sentence, what would it be?

(v. 16) Paul uses the word therefore to point back to points he has previously made. Look back over the parts of the letter we've read so far and make a list of all we have in Christ (what has He done for us?).

Why do you think Paul finds it necessary to point back to these truths?

What were the false teachers attempting to do by establishing all these rules?

What's the difference between legalism and accountability?

(V. 17) What are the shadows mentioned? How do good things sometimes get in the way of us drawing closer to God?

Thinking back on the sermon, how can we both on the legalist and license side at the same time?

(V. 17, 19, 20) Instead of legalism, what does Paul point the Colossians toward?

Read 1 Corinthians 10:23 and 10:31

Describe these principles in your own words. How are they more helpful than making up extra-specific rules?

Read Luke 15:1-2, 11-32

Do you see yourself more in the younger brother or older brother?

What did both brothers lack?

How can you have more assurance, confidence, strength, and nourishment in the Father's love through Christ?