

Valley Bible Church – Sermon Study Questions

Study Aid for the Sermon from May 17-18, 2003

"Let No One Defraud You"

Colossians 2:16-23

Observing the text

How do people today judge Christians in the same manner as is found in Colossians 2:16-17?

How do people today defraud Christians in the same manner as is found in Colossians 2:8-19?

In Colossians 2:23, Paul referenced things that have no value against fleshly indulgence. What is valuable against fleshly indulgence? What is the difference?

Applying the sermon

How have you felt judged by the opinions of Christians in areas that are not biblical?

Have you ever felt defrauded by people who advocate a mystical approach to knowing God? How did you respond?

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Are there any extra-biblical rules that you have made for the purpose of protecting you from sin?
How are those useful in light of Colossians 2:20-23?

Why is our death with Christ (2:20) important in our battle against legalism, mysticism and asceticism?