Don't Be Taken Captive! (Pt. 2)

Colossians 2:9-10

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Main Idea: Don't Be Taken Captive by deceptive and enslaving false teaching.

Outline: Paul gives us two means to safeguard us from being taken captive:

- I. By Spotting Error (v. 8)
- II. By Knowing Truth (vv. 9–15)
 - A. Jesus is God in the Flesh (v. 9)
 - B. Jesus is the Sufficient Savior (v. 10a)
 - C. Jesus is Lord over All (v. 10b)
- 1. While they are both important, verses 8–15 really teach us that Christians must spend more of their time focusing on the truth than looking for error. Why is it that the case? What dangers can arise when we become more obsessed with falsehood than sound doctrine?
- 2. To keep clear of false teaching, we must fix our eyes on the truth, but what truth? What (Who?) does God's Word emphasize that we must know deeply? Why is this so crucial?

3. Describe some of the wrong views about Jesus which are prevalent in the world today?

4. What does v. 9 mean when it says, "in Him all the fulness of deity dwells in bodily form"?



5.	In your own words, summarize the important implications of v. 9. What are the stakes if v. 9 is not true?
6.	When v. 10 describes believers united with Christ by faith "having been made complete (or full)", what's Paul referencing? (cf. "once for all" passages in Hebrews)
7.	How can you take the truth of v. 10 – that you have been made complete in Christ – and use it to battle discontentment, greed, and complaining in life? How does this destroy the saying "If only I had I would be happy and complete"?
8.	Is there anything in your life you are holding onto or waiting out for that shows you aren't fully trusting in the sufficiency of Christ?
9.	Name one specific way you can grow to know Christ on a deeper level this week.

