

The Problem with “Isms” – Colossians 2:4-8

I. Persuasive Words (v. 4-5)

1. Paul wrote this passage so that Christians would not be deceived by P _ R _ U _ S _ V _ words. (v. 4)
2. Paul rejoiced at the good _____ and the _____ of the church’s faith in Christ. (v. 5)
3. Paul told the Corinthians that his preaching was not with persuasive words of _____ . (1 Corinthians 2:3–5)
4. Christians must continue in the _____, grounded and steadfast in the gospel. (Colossians 1:23)

II. Rooted in Christ (v. 6-7)

5. Being rooted, built up, and established in the faith, we _____ in Christ. (v. 6-7)
6. If we are well grounded in the faith, we won’t be tossed around by every _____ of _____, and the trickery of _____. (Ephesians 4:14)
7. When troubles come, new converts who are not well grounded will immediately _____. (Matthew 13:20–21)

III. Not Philosophy but Christ (v. 8)

8. _____ lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit. (v. 8)
 - a. These philosophies are according to the _____ of men and the basic principles of the _____.
9. Not all _____ descends from above, but is earthly, sensual, and demonic. (James 3:15)
10. We are not to be C _ N F _ R _ _ D to the world’s way of thinking. (Romans 12:2)
11. The _____ of Jesus will judge us in the Last Day. (John 12:48)
12. Describe the wisdom that comes from above: (James 3:17)
 - (1) P _ _ C _ _ BL _
 - (2) G _ N _ L _
 - (3) Willing to Y _ _ L
 - (3) Full of M _ R _ Y
 - (5) No P _ R T _ _ L _ T _
 - (6) No H _ P _ C _ _ S _