

***Colossians 2:11-15*****MONDAY: Read Colossians 2**

As you read this chapter, which parts seem to be growing in value to you? Why do you think? *Ask the Holy Spirit to teach you what you need to know about these truths that He is opening up to you.*

**TUESDAY: Read Colossians 2:11-15**

How would you title the major concepts Paul presents in these verses? To what do “heart” circumcision, spiritual baptism, and forgiveness of all sin pertain? How does Christ’s redemption of Adam & Eve’s offspring (including you) defeat Satan? *Ask the Spirit to help you understand how your salvation demonstrates God’s sovereignty, love & goodness; then spend time praising Him for it!*

**WEDNESDAY: Read Colossians 2:11-12; Genesis 17**

How many times does God promise to give Abram a multitude of descendants? In v.23, who is among the first to be circumcised in the flesh? What is the connection between Abram’s circumcision and trusting the Lord to keep His promise to provide a child? What is the connection between circumcision of the flesh & circumcision of the heart? *Ask Spirit to teach you to hear God’s promises & trust Him!*

**THURSDAY: Read Colossians 2:13-15**

Paul gives 2 reasons for your spiritual death: what are they? How does He remove the sinful (spirit) nature with which you are born? How does God cancel the record of charges us? How does God disarm the demonic rulers? *Ask Spirit to make you more aware of His work to mature you in faith/trust in Him.*

**FRIDAY: Read Colossians 2:12; Romans 6**

What kind of “baptism” does Paul have in mind here: *water or spiritual?* How can you be certain? What is the result of the true, spiritual baptism completed by the Holy Spirit as He “**dips you into**” Christ by which you are “**changed permanently?**” *Ask Spirit to alert you to worldly influences and philosophies that keep you from trusting Him, realizing your newness & sharing the gospel with others.*

**SATURDAY: Read Colossians 2**

Are you learning to “reckon yourself to God’s truths?” Which ones? *Thank God for all He’s showing you, teaching you directly and indirectly through others, and changing in you as His “work of art!”*

*(Use your own Bible & this New Living Translation for comparison, study, & better understanding)*

## **Colossians 2:11-15 (NLT)**

**11)** When you came to Christ, you were “circumcised,” but not by a physical procedure. Christ performed a spiritual circumcision—the cutting away of your sinful nature. **12)** For you were buried with Christ when you were baptized. And with him you were raised to new life because you trusted the mighty power of God, who raised Christ from the dead.

**13)** You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins. **14)** He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross. **15)** In this way, he disarmed the spiritual rulers and authorities. He shamed them publicly by his victory over them on the cross.

## **Genesis 17 notes:**

## **Romans 6 notes:**