

Colossians 2:9-10 Complete in Him

1. Beware! (Review)

- a. Paul warns every man...to present them perfect (complete) in Christ Jesus. (Col 1:28)
- b. "Beware lest any man spoil you" As a believer, you can err from the faith should you be persuaded by the wisdom of this world. (1 Tim 6:10, Eph 4:1)
- c. **In Christ** are hid **all** the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. (Col 2:3)

2. Fulness of the Godhead • Colossians 2:9

- a. **All fulness** was mentioned before (Col 1:18-19)
- b. Theme: all, complete, perfect, fulness. He lacks nothing. He is God manifest in the flesh. (1 Tim 3:16, Phil 2:6-7)
- c. Who is the only Saviour? The LORD. Who is the only God? The LORD. (Is 43:10-11, 44:6)
- d. Paul continues to remind us of the deity and preeminence of Christ in Colossians:

Christ is...	In whom we have redemption (1:14)	The image of the invisible God (1:15)
Firstborn from the dead (1:15,18)	The creator of all (1:16)	The sustainer of all (1:16)
Head of the body (1:18)	The preeminent (1:18)	In whom all fulness dwells (1:19)
Peacemaker, saviour, reconciler (1:20)	The subject of the mystery (1:27)	In whom are all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge (2:3)
Whom we have received by faith (2:6)	In whom we are rooted and established (2:7)	In whom is the fulness of the Godhead bodily (2:9)

3. Ye are complete in Him • Colossians 2:10

- a. Ye are... **in Him**. Christ is in you, and you are in Christ (this is the mystery) (Col 1:27, Col 1:14, Eph 1:6)
- b. In Christ or In Adam? There is only death to be found in Adam. Life is in Christ. (1 Cor 15:22)
- c. Ye are **complete** in the one who gives life and immortality. (2 Tim 1:10, 1 Cor 15:51-57)
- d. In Christ, we lack nothing (because He lacks nothing). We have all we need. God's grace is sufficient. (2 Cor 12:9)
- e. Jesus Christ was once a minister of the circumcision (according to prophecy). (Rom 15:8, 2 Cor 2:15-16)
- f. The *excellency* of the knowledge of Christ (according to the mystery) is what we need. (Rom 16:25, 2 Cor 4:6-7, Phil 1:10, Phil 3:7-9)
- g. Christ is all and in all. Everything that we need is in Christ. (Col 3:11, Phil 4:19, Eph 3:8, 16)
- h. In Christ we are freely given all things. (Rom 8:29-32, Eph 1:3, 23)