

**Church Sub Theme for 2019-21: "What's The Church Supposed To Be Like?!"** (Problems in the Church)

Baldwin Hills Baptist Church

Sunday, March 7, 2021

**Sermon Outline Cont'd**

1. With **Philosophy** and its empty deception, v-8a
    - They were being robbed of God's truth, and some of genuine salvation.
    - Philosophy here is any theory about God, the meaning of life, and the world.
    - God used Frances Schaffer greatly!
  2. With the **Traditions** of men based upon the elementary principles of the world, v-8b
  3. They were being deceived to **not follow** Christ, Who is Very God, v-8c, 9
  4. They were being deceived into not knowing that they were already complete in Christ, v-10a
    - a. **Positionally** --God's righteousness Rom. 4:3, 11
    - b. **Sufficiently** --All we need is in Him.
    - c. He is the **Head** over all spiritual rule and authorities, v-10b; Col. 1:16
- B. They Were Being Deceived With **Jewish Legalism**, 2:11; Cf. Rom. 2:28,29;  
--Circumcision rites, Dietary laws, and Sabbath keeping, Col. 2:16, 17.
- C. They Were Being Deceived With Self-abasement v-18b --Taking pride in self-denial, and even afflictions of the body. Cf. v-2:20-23
- D. They Were Being Deceived With The Worship Of Angels As Mediators To God, v-18c
  1. They were believing false visions the False Teachers were claiming to have, v-18d
    - Some believe It today.
  2. The visions were really the result of their sinful mind, v-18e
    - People who are looking for an emotional, feeling experience fit.
  3. Yet, God's Word is clear that angels **are not** to be worshipped, Rev. 22:8,9
- V. THE FALSE TEACHERS WERE DESTROYING THE REWARD OF THE BELIEVERS WHO FOLLOWED THEM
  - A. Paul Warned Them To Stop It, v-18a
  - B. John Warned Believers Of Not Being Deceived Out Of A full Reward, 2 John 7, 8