

In Christ, & Ready to Relate

Colossians 2:11-15

A. In Christ, I am clean. (2:11)

- What phrase indicates that verse 11 is about the believer's identity?
- How is your circumcision "in Him" described?
 - *made without hands*
 - *by the putting off of the body of the sins of the flesh*
 - *by the circumcision of Christ*
- What did physical circumcision signify in the Old Testament?
- What does the believer's spiritual circumcision indicate for you?

B. In Christ, I am alive. (2:12-13a)

Key New Testament word: *baptize (baptizō)* - physically: *to dip into, to immerse into*
figuratively: *to identify with*

- What is every believer baptized into?
- What is the way to be baptized?
- Why does every sinner need to be baptized into Christ's death and resurrection?
- What does the believer's spiritual baptism indicate for you?

C. In Christ, I am forgiven. (2:13b-14)

- What did God do for you in order to make you alive?
- How many sins did God forgive?
- What burden did He take away?
- How did God finance your *sin-debt forgiveness* program?
- What does the complete forgiveness of the believer in Christ indicate for you?

D. In Christ, I am on the winning side. (2:15)

- Who did Jesus win victory over?
- What event won the victory?
- What does Christ's victory over these enemies indicate for you?

* *Why has God revealed this detailed description of your identity as a believer?*