

Lesson 06
Concern for Christians
Colossians 2:1-7
March 24, 2021

Paul wanted the Colossians to know how great a spiritual battle he entered into on their behalf and on behalf of all those who had not personally met Paul who lived in the Lycus Valley. The immediate goal was to encourage them since they had been knit together in love, with the distant goal that they acquire all the wealth that comes from being certain of understanding the true knowledge of God's mystery, Christ. In Him are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Thus, they did not need to supplement their knowledge with Gnostic teachings. Paul said this so no one would be deluded by persuasive arguments. He explained that even though he was not present with the min body, he was with them in spirit since their situation had been reported to him. Through these reports he rejoiced to see them living an orderly Christian life and how steadfast they were in faith.

The application is that as they had received the traditional teaching of Christ Jesus the Lord, so they should walk in these teachings. These teachings express how firmly rooted we are in Him and how we are being build up and established more and more each day in faith, and we are overflowing with gratitude toward God for these riches we have in Christ.