



**Title** | Social Justice & Truth  
**Series** | Sounds Good, But . . .  
**Text** | Topical  
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## Sermon Notes

**Colossians 2:8** See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. **9** For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, **10** and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority.

*ESV*

### Big Idea:

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## **For Reflection and Application:**

### **Monday:**

Read Colossians 2:8-10. According to Paul in this passage, according to what standard should we evaluate truth claims? What standards are unreliable?

### **Tuesday:**

Reread Colossians 2:10. How does this verse relate to the modern notion that our lived experience or feelings are authoritative in determining what is true?

### **Wednesday:**

According to a recent survey, nearly half of Christian millennials believe it is wrong to evangelize a person of another faith. Where do you think this idea comes from? Is this “according to Christ” (Colossians 2:8)? Why or why not?

### **Thursday:**

Some injustices are racism, classism, sexism, heterosexism, religious oppression, ableism, nationalism, and colonialism. If you don't know what some of these are, look them up. Consider how you may be complicit in one or more of these areas. How can you do justice in one or more of these areas?

### **Friday:**

What is the potential harm caused by seeing injustice or oppression in specific situations where it may not truly exist?

### **Daily Prayer:**

Lord, you are the God of both justice and truth. Help me to seek both justice and truth according to Christ, not according to culture. Amen.