

2007-07-22 Colossians ch2 v8-10 (Ignite UK)

- Do not be deceived by the traditions of man, based on material things rather than Christ
- The philosophies of man try to explain everything without the existence of God
- Evolution, abortion, civil unions, and many medications are futile explanations of this world by men
 1. The **deficiency** of worldly philosophy. v.8
 - We should 'be watchful' for false teachers (wolves) among our flock (congregation)
 - These false teachers are tricky, we must be cautious, compare EVERYTHING that they say with God's word, not worldly philosophies
 - Empty deceit; philosophy based on human tradition and elementary principals of the world
 - Mark 7:5-8 is used to refute this kind of deceit within the catholic religion
 - Since these philosophies are elementary, when they are argued between closed-minded people they become foolish and go around in circles
 - Some in Paul's time period thought a mystical feeling was needed to attain true salvation but he refutes this completely
 - We could not have evolved from monkeys because we are the only beings made in God's image
 2. God's philosophy (The Bible) is complete and sufficient.
 - We need to be offensive, doing something rather than watching from a distance as some of our flock are captured.