

What does it mean to be complete? Are we talking about people like Leonardo da Vinci, the “Renaissance man” who excelled in so many fields; art, science, music, engineering, mechanics, botany, math, physics, design, flight.... How does anyone go about becoming complete? And, what was the Apostle Paul talking about when he told the church in Colossi that they were already complete in Christ? He was passionate and practical as he warned the church about being “taken captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy...human tradition,” right, rituals....He wanted them to find and rest in their true identity in Christ.

*“For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; and you are complete in Him who is the head of all principality and power.”
(Col.2:9-10, NKJV)*

The fullness of the Godhead dwells in Him (v. 9)

You have been made complete (v.10)

❖ ***You were circumcised in Him (v. 11)***

❖ ***You were buried with Him in baptism (v. 12)***

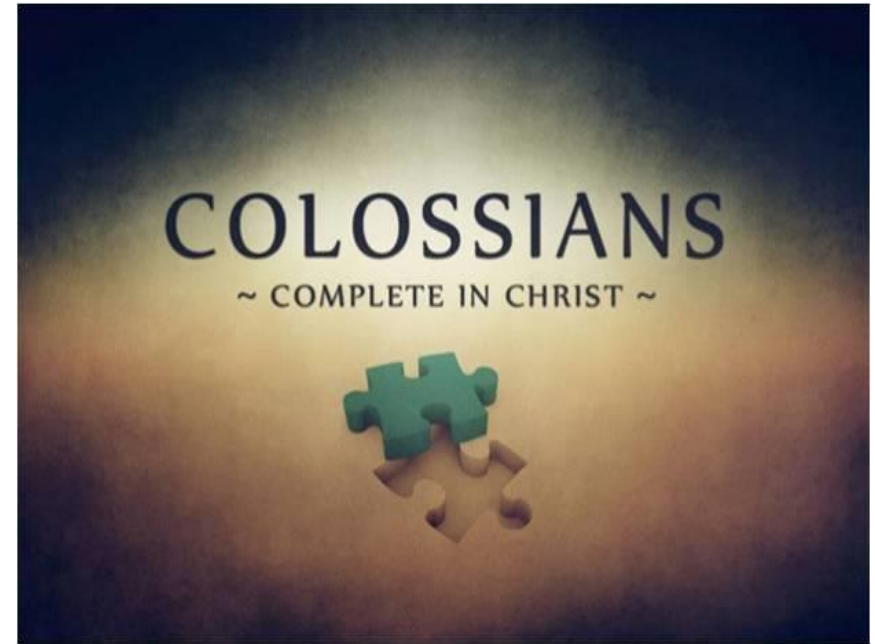
❖ ***You were raised with Him (v. 13)***

❖ ***Your debts have been nailed to the cross of Christ
(v.14)***

You triumph over principalities and powers (v.15)

Personal Application and Interaction

1. Leonardo da Vinci is thought of as Renaissance man. He excelled in so many fields. What does that look like in the world you live in today?
2. Why is it so important to you personally, that all the fullness of deity dwells in Christ in bodily form? (v. 9)
3. In what ways does the life you are living reflect the fact that you have been made complete in Christ? (v. 10)
4. What difference does it make to you that Christ, the one in whom you are found, has disarmed principalities and powers, making a public spectacle of them?
5. **Personalize** the connections you see between the charges of Satan against Job in Job 1, and the promise of being in Christ described in Romans 8:31-39 and Colossians 2:15.



The Complete You

Colossians 2:9-15

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