"Complete In Him"

Col. 2:10

Introduction:

- A. "Ye are complete in Him."
 - 1. Note: "in whom", "in him", "in Christ" in 2:1-12.
 - 2. All spiritual blessing in Christ (Eph. 1:3)
- B. Notice several **aspects** of the completeness of Christ in the N.T.

Discussion

I. In Jesus Christ We Have A Complete Savior.

- A. He was made complete (perfect) through suffering. (Heb. 5:8,9).
 - 1. Able to save to uttermost. (Heb. 7:25; cf. Rom. 1:16).
 - 2. Able to save us completely:
 - a. Able to saves from past sin. (Acts 22:16).
 - b. Able to restore fallen. (1 John 1:9; 2:1).
 - c. Able to keep us saved. (Jude 24).
 - d. Able to save us eternally. (2 Tim. 1:12; 4:8).
- B. He is the *only* savior or else he *no* savior. (cf. John 14:6; Acts 3:22,23; 4:12).

II. In Jesus Christ We Have A Complete Revelation.

- A. He is God's spokesman for this age. (Heb. 1:1; 2:3)
 - 1. He used selected inspired men, who spoke and wrote by inspiration. (2 Cor. 4:7; Eph.3:3-5)
 - 2. We must rest upon that foundation of revelation. (Eph. 2:20-22).
- B. He gives all the revelation we need or will ever have. (Col. 3:2; cf. Gal.1:8,9; 2 Tim. 3:16,17; 2 John 9; Jude 3; Rev. 22:18).

III. In Jesus Christ We Have A Complete *Body*.

- A. The body of Christ is the church of Christ. (Eph. 4:4; 1:22,23).
- B. The body of Christ, as God gave it, is completely equipped for spiritual service. (Eph. 4:11-13; 1 Cor. 12:18,28).
 - 1. Additional organizations show a distrust in completeness of body as it was given.
 - 2. Additional "ministries" render the body incomplete as God gave it.

IV. In Jesus Christ We Have A Complete *Reward*. (cf. Eph. 3:20,21).

- A. Here and now. (1 Tim. 4:8).
- B. Hereafter. (1 Tim. 4:8).

Conclusion:

- A. There is no need of philosophy and traditions of men with such fullness in Christ.
- B. There is a need to be buried with him in baptism. (2:11-12)