

March 26, 2014
“Are You Forgiven?”
Colossians 2:13-23

- I. **Remember** *“And when you were dead in trespasses...”* (13).
- II. **Rejoice** *“He made you alive with Him and forgave us all our trespasses. He erased the certificate of debt, with its obligations, that was against us and opposed to us, and has taken it out of the way by nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and disgraced them publicly; He triumphed over them by Him.”* (14-15)
- III. **Resist** *“Therefore, don’t let anyone judge you...”* (16)
- Rituals- *“a new moon or Sabbath”* (16)
 - Revisions *“Let no one disqualify you, insisting on ascetic practices...by his unspiritual mind.”* (18).
 - Retreat *“He doesn’t hold on to the head...”* (19).
- IV. **Refuse**
- Regulations *“Don’t handle, don’t taste, don’t touch”* (21).
 - Rebuke *“they are commands and doctrines of men”* (22).
 - Religion *“Although these have a reputation of wisdom by promoting ascetic practices, humility and severe treatment of the body, they are not of any value in curbing self-indulgence.”* (23)

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