



Sermon Title: Colossians - The Depreciation of Christ

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Scripture Reference: Colossians 2:8-15

Connect: Grow together

- In what new way did God show up in your life this week? If you think He did not show up this week, how do you make sense of that?
- What are you thankful for this week?

Deeper: Beyond the message

- What was the main point of today's message? How would you summarize it in one to three sentences?
- What did the message say about you, God's people and/or the world?
- What did that message mean for our church?

Application and Challenge

- Read Col 2:13-15 again. What is the importance of this passage? How can we convey this message to unbelievers today?
- Who are people seeking to depreciate or diminish Christ today? How should we respond to those persons and their claims?
- Read Col 2:8 again. What sorts of deceptive ideas have taken unbelievers captive in America today? What sorts of deceptive ideas have captured some believers as well?
- Read Matthew 7:21-23 and Acts 19:13-16 again. What do these passages say to New Horizons today?
- Pastor Ryan concluded with encouragement to be in healthy community, be involved in church and have a rich devotional life. In the week to

come, how can we do each of these things in a new way that further elevates the role of Christ in our lives? (Bolder question – what was your devotional life like this week?)

- Houses can depreciate in value due to external market forces or what happens outside of the house in a city. Houses can increase in value for the same reasons. Our faith is different, and will only depreciate (or weaken) in value when we allow it by our actions or inactions. What is one way to rigorously increase the value of our faith this week?
- How can we strengthen our understanding of the faith? What practical steps can we take to be more solid in our faith?
- Are there particular Christian thinkers, theologians, writers or pastors whose work you have read that helped you strengthen your faith? If so, share their names with the group or the names of influential books that increased your faith and the understanding of our faith.