Week 4 – Complete: Colossians Series

Sermon-based Growth Group Questions

Introductory Discussion:

What was "the takeaway" (the most important point) from Sunday's sermon and/or the sermon text, in your opinion?

What insight from Sunday's sermon did you find most helpful, or eye-opening, or troubling (pick any or all of the above)?

Read Colossians 2:1-7

Discussion:

1. When you were young, what did you think a "religious" person must be like? How did you feel about that type of person?

2. According to verses 6-8, how are we to counteract the growth of worldly philosophy in the church? What does "rooted and built up" imply to you?

3. When have you felt like the "roots" of your faith in Christ were barely below the surface? What helps you to sink those roots deeper?

4. Do you remember when you first started with Christ (or returned to Christ for the first time in a while)? All that mattered was Jesus. You were filled with us love and enthusiasm. Paul says in v6 that that is how we are to continue – that being rooted in him we are now to be built up in him and overflowing with thankfulness. How are we to do that? How can we recapture that enthusiasm we had at first? What do you think causes us to lose it?

5. Why does Paul show concern to those he does not personally know? How can this help you better show kindness and encouragement to strangers? How would this benefit you and the church?

6. What can you do to prevent people from being able to deceive you with false ideas or persuasive ideas and words?

Prayer: Take time to pray together as a group.