

# Freedom from Man's Rules

Colossians 2:6 NLT

And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, **you must continue to follow him.**

Let No One Take You Captive

Colossians 2:8 NLT

Don't let anyone capture you with empty philosophies and high-sounding nonsense that come from human thinking and from the spiritual powers of this world, rather than from Christ.

Jesus Plus Special Diet

Colossians 2:16 NLT

So don't let anyone condemn you for what you **eat or drink**....

Ecclesiastes 1:9 NLT

History merely repeats itself. It has all been done before. Nothing under the sun is truly new.

Romans 14:2 NLT

For instance, one person believes it's all right to **eat anything**. But another believer with a sensitive conscience will **eat only vegetables**.

Romans 14:2 GNT

Some people's faith allows them to eat anything, but the person who is weak in the faith eats only vegetables.

Matthew 15:17 NLT

Anything you eat passes through the stomach and then goes into the sewer.

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Jesus Plus **Special Days**

Colossians 2:16 NLT

So don't let anyone condemn you for..... not celebrating certain **holy days** or **new moon ceremonies** or **Sabbaths**.

Jesus Plus **The Spectacular**

Colossians 2:18-19 NLT

Don't let anyone condemn you by insisting on pious self-denial or the worship of angels, saying they have had visions about these things. Their sinful minds have made them **proud**, and **they are not connected to Christ**, the head of the body. For he holds the whole body together with its joints and ligaments, and it grows as God nourishes it.

Jesus Plus **Special Behaviors**

Colossians 2:21 NLT

“Don't **handle!** Don't **taste!** Don't **touch!**”?

Colossians 2:22-23 NLT

Such rules are mere **human teachings** about things that deteriorate as we use them. These rules may **seem wise** because they require strong devotion, **pious self-denial**, and **severe bodily discipline**. But they provide no help in conquering a person's evil desires.

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## Jesus Plus NOTHING

Colossians 2:9-10 NLT

For in Christ lives all the fullness of God in a human body. So you also are complete through your union with Christ, who is the head over every ruler and authority.

Jesus is **Identified** in Colossians

1:15

Christ is the visible image of the invisible God.

1:15

He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation.

1:16

He is the creator of all things.

1:17

He is before all things.

1:17

In Him all things hold together.

1:18

He is the head of his body, the church.

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1:18

He is the beginning and firstborn among the dead.

1:19

God's fullness dwells in him.

2:13

Through him we have forgiveness of sins.

2:14

He has delivered us from the burden of the law.

2:16

He has set us free from any other power or authority.

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