

Simply Study: Colossians 2

One book at a time.
One day at a time.



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Welcome to Simply Study!

Have you had enough of rushing through your Bible study time, trying to keep up with someone else's daily study schedule?

Have you ever finished a daily devotional and marveled at the fact that you barely read a verse of scripture?

Do you long to spend your quiet time soaking in one book of the Bible?

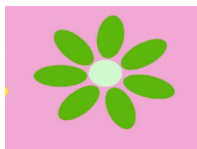
Me too!

Simply Word is a daily Bible study based in one book of the Bible. There's no rush, no scramble. Take as much time as you like to meander with God through one book of the Bible.

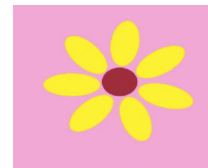
Simple pieces

- **Simply read** Repeated readings will help you meditate on truths of God's word.
- **Simply mark** Let loose your creative side as you simply mark the daily scripture reading passage.
- **Simply answer** Look back in the scripture to answer questions about the text.
- **Simply reflect** Consider what God is speaking to your heart and record your thoughts.
- **Simply act** Become a doer of the word as you decide how to apply what you have learned.

Let's get started!



Focus deeply.
One book at a time.
One day at a time.
Simply Study.



Simply Study: Colossians 2, Session 1

Session 1

Get your Bible Journal or a printed copy of this Bible study, your favorite pens and pencils and get ready to cozy up with God's Word!

Simply Pray

Before you start your Bible study time, pray and ask God to fill you with His Holy Spirit. Ask God to open the eyes of your heart to hear from Him in your study time today.

Simply Read

Today we are going to read all of chapter two of Colossians. Read chapter 2 straight through.

Colossians Chapter 2

1 For I want you to know what a great conflict I have for you and those in Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh,

2 that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ,

3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

4 Now this I say lest anyone should deceive you with persuasive words.

5 For though I am absent in the flesh, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your good order and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ.

6 As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, 7 rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it^[fn] with thanksgiving.

8 Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ.

9 For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily;

10 and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.

11 In Him you were also circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the sins of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ,

12 buried with Him in baptism, in which you also were raised with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.

13 And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses,

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14 having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

15 Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.

16 So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or sabbaths,

17 which are a shadow of things to come, but the substance is of Christ.

18 Let no one cheat you of your reward, taking delight in false humility and worship of angels, intruding into those things which he has not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,

19 and not holding fast to the Head, from whom all the body, nourished and knit together by joints and ligaments, grows with the increase that is from God.

20 Therefore, if you died with Christ from the basic principles of the world, why, as though living in the world, do you subject yourselves to regulations—

21 "Do not touch, do not taste, do not handle,"

22 which all concern things which perish with the using—according to the commandments and doctrines of men?

23 These things indeed have an appearance of wisdom in self-imposed religion, false humility, and neglect of the body, but are of no value against the indulgence of the flesh.

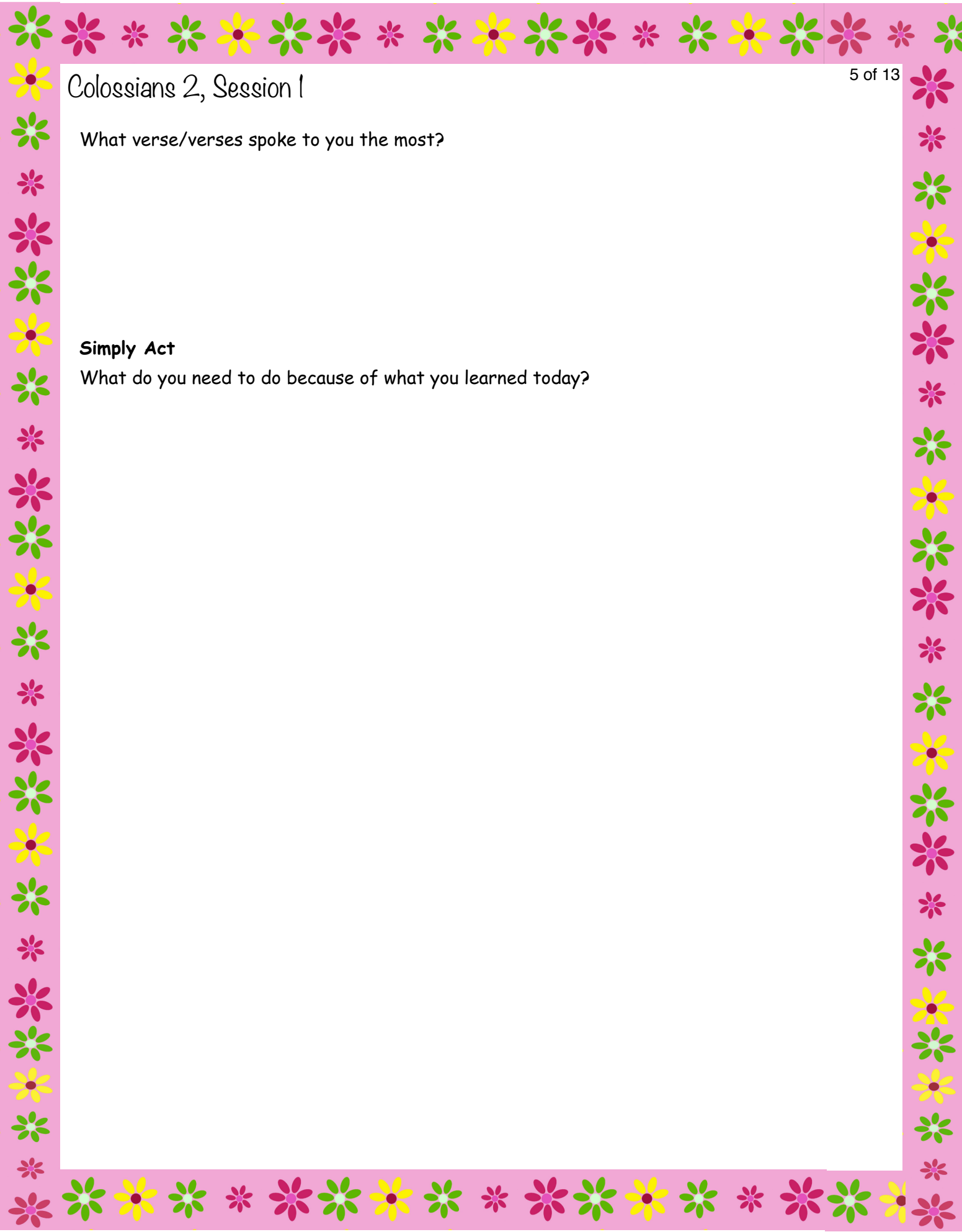
Simply Mark

Please go back and read the passage again. Take notes, and underline important words and phrases that capture your attention.

Simply Reflect

Review your notes and markings for today.

What is God saying to you today through His Word?



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What verse/verses spoke to you the most?

Simply Act

What do you need to do because of what you learned today?

Colossians 2: Session 2

Session 2

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Simply Pray

Before you start your Bible study time, pray and ask God to fill you with His Holy Spirit. Ask God to open the eyes of your heart to hear from Him in your study time today.

Simply Read

Today we are going to read Colossians 2:1-5. Read 1-5 without stopping. Put a check in the blank when you finished ____.

- 1 For I want you to know what a great conflict I have for you and those in Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh,
- 2 that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ,
- 3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.
- 4 Now this I say lest anyone should deceive you with persuasive words.
- 5 For though I am absent in the flesh, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your good order and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ.

Simply Mark

Please go back and read the passage again. Take notes, highlight and underline important words and phrases that capture your attention.

Simply Answer

1. How is Paul feeling about the Colossians (vs. 1)?
2. What clues do we have for why Paul was conflicted for the Colossians, as well as other believers (vs. 2)?
3. How should all believers be knit together (vs. 2)?

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4. What are some of the riches we have when we understand the mystery (salvation, the indwelling of the Holy Spirit etc) of God (vs. 2)?
5. What is hidden in Christ and God the Father (vs. 3)?
6. How can Christians be deceived (vs. 4)?
7. What is the antidote to persuasive words?
8. What does Paul rejoice in seeing (vs. 5)?

Simply Reflect

Review your notes and markings for today.

What is God saying to you through His Word?

What verse/verses spoke to you the most?

Simply Act

What actions must you take because of what you learned today?

Colossians 2: Session 3

Session 3

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Simply Pray

Before you start your Bible study time, pray and ask God to fill you with His Holy Spirit. Ask God to open the eyes of your ears to hear from Him in your study time today.

Simply Read

Today we are going to read Colossians 2:1-10. Read 1-10 without stopping. Put a check in the blank when you finished ____.

1 For I want you to know what a great conflict I have for you and those in Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh,

2 that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ,

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9 For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily;

10 and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.

Simply Mark

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Simply Answer

1. How have you received Christ Jesus (vs. 6)?
2. Using your answer above, fill in the blanks. Since I received Christ by _____, I should walk by _____.
3. Whom should we be rooted and built up in (vs. 7)?
4. What if we were only rooted?
5. What should our faith abound with (vs. 7)?
6. What are some things believers can be deceived by (vs. 8)?
7. Where does all truth reside (vs. 9)?
8. What are we in Christ (vs. 10)?

Simply Reflect

Review your notes and markings for today.

What is God saying to you today through His Word?

What verse/verses spoke to you the most?

Simply Act

What do you need to do because of what you learned?

Colossians 2: Session 4

Session 4

Get your Bible Journal or a printed copy of this Bible study, your favorite pens and pencils and get ready to meet with God!

Simply Pray

Before you start your Bible study time, pray and ask God to fill you with His Holy Spirit. Ask God to open the eyes of your heart to hear from Him in your study time today.

Simply Read

Today we are going to read Colossians 2:11-15. Read 11-15 without stopping. Put a check in the blank when you finished ____.

11 In Him you were also circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the sins of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ,

12 buried with Him in baptism, in which you also were raised with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.

13 And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses,

14 having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

15 Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.

Simply Mark

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Simply Answer

1. What are we in Christ (vs. 11)?
2. This process accomplished without what (vs. 11)?
3. How was this process was accomplished (vs. 11)?

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4. In baptism we were _____ and _____ in Christ (vs. 12).
5. How were these two things accomplished (vs. 12)?
6. What did God do for us while we were still dead in our sin (vs. 13)?
7. What did God wipe out for us and how did he do it (vs. 14)?
8. What did He do to our enemies (vs. 15) ?

Simply Reflect

Reveiw your notes and markings for today.

What is God saying to you through His Word?

What verse or verses spoke to you the most?

Simply Act

What do you need to do because of what you learned?

Colossians 2: Session 5

Session 5

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Simply Pray

Before you start your Bible study time, pray and ask God to fill you with His Holy Spirit. Ask God to open the eyes of your heart to hear from Him in your study time today.

Simply Read

Today we are going to read Colossians 2:16-23. Read 16-23 without stopping. Put a check in the blank when you finished ____.

16 So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or sabbaths,

17 which are a shadow of things to come, but the substance is of Christ.

18 Let no one cheat you of your reward, taking delight in false humility and worship of angels, intruding into those things which he has not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,

19 and not holding fast to the Head, from whom all the body, nourished and knit together by joints and ligaments, grows with the increase that is from God.

20 Therefore, if you died with Christ from the basic principles of the world, why, as though living in the world, do you subject yourselves to regulations—

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22 which all concern things which perish with the using—according to the commandments and doctrines of men?

23 These things indeed have an appearance of wisdom in self-imposed religion, false humility, and neglect of the body, but are of no value against the indulgence of the flesh.

Simply Mark

Please go back and read the passage again. Take notes, highlight and underline important words and phrases that capture your attention.

Simply Answer

1. About what are we not to judge others or ourselves (vs. 16)?

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2. What are shadows and what is real (vs. 17)?
3. How does verse 16 apply to modern life?
4. How can we be cheated of our reward (vs. 18)?
5. To what do we need to hold tight (vs. 19)?
6. What do you need to let go of?
7. How do Christians grow (vs. 19)?
8. Our relationship with Christ and our salvation does not depend on what (vs. 20-22)?
9. What is of no value to our transformation (vs. 23)?

Simply Reflect

Review your notes and markings for today.

What is God saying to you today through His Word?

What verse/verses spoke to you the most?

Simply Act

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