



SERIES: August / September Series “HE IS ENOUGH”

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Scripture: Colossians 2:4-5

TITLE: Don't Buy the Lie

Have you ever bought a Snuggie? What about a Fat Magnet? Or what about a Flowbee? I love watching infomercials. They are embarrassingly hilarious. All the crazy products that people create because their life is not quite complete without it. I mean, who knew that my life was depleted of joy without my ab-o-matic belt. The belt that shocks your abs to give you a six-pack while eating chips and watching tv. Who knew?!

You may be wondering: what's the point, Nat? My point is that the world is constantly telling us that we can never have enough. The grass is always greener. Our lives would only be better or true happiness would finally be achieved if we had this one more thing. But we as Christians can desire to have the Snuggie or Flowbee, but our lives will be no happier without them. For us, we have all we need in Christ.

Paul knew we'd be torn away from our beloved Savior. This is what he wrote in Colossians 2:4-5 (NLT).

“I am telling you this so no one will deceive you with well-crafted arguments. For though I am far away from you, my heart is with you. And I rejoice that you are living as you should and that your faith in Christ is strong.”

Paul knew what would come our way. The same crafty arguments and sales pitches were happening in Paul's day. Paul loved the Church. He desired that the Church remain faithful to Christ. We are so easily lead astray to false gospels, false hopes, and lies. That's why Paul says, “My heart is with you. I love you. I am so happy to see you following the teaching of Christ. You are staying faithful.”

I feel a lot like Paul. I love the Church. I love my local Church. I love the Church I used to pastor. And I love you, the body of Christ. My desire is that you will see Christ as enough. I pray that the culture doesn't eat up your faith or sound doctrine. We are being hit over the head with Critical Race Theory, Wokeness, bad politics, false teaching in the pulpits, consumerism through Amazon and tv. We are constantly told lies. Don't buy the lies. Don't be pulled away from Christ and His truth.

Instead, stand firm in Christ. Hold tightly to the true gospel. Hold tightly to sound teaching. Keep coming back to the Bible to guide you. It provides you godly wisdom and knowledge.

So this is my challenge for you today: Stand strong in Christ. Christ is enough. The Snuggie, the new lover, the new hair color, the new knife set won't add one piece of true joy to your life. Christ is enough.

Declare in the comments below why Christ is enough. Why do you love Him so much? Why is He sufficient? Declare it. Own it. Stand firm on it. When Christ is enough, friend, there is no way we won't win the day.