

- 1. Who is the writer and/or speaker?
- 2. When was it written and/or said?
- 3. To whom was it written and/or spoken?
- 4. What are the major natural divisions?
- 5. What is the repeated key word?
- 6. What simple sentence sums it all up?
- 7. What is an application to my life today?

Study questions for Colossians 2:16-23

(Remember to find the answers in the verses under consideration!)

V 16 The word "therefore" is extremely important in Scripture. It usually marks a division in the text between doctrine (truth to believe) and practice (transformation by the truth).

What are we to do with the five most common criticisms we get from fellow believers? Is it okay to differ on each one of these issues? Give examples of each of the five.

V 17 How does this verse help us understand the whole Old Testament Law?

V 18 The second imperative verb in this section is "let not". <u>How</u> do each one of the four errors steal the gift (prize) of God's grace? Are these errors common today?

V 19 Where should we look to have unity among all believers? Is this a refusal to change?

Vs 20-22 When should we move on from "Methodism" to the Master's indwelling self-control?

V 23 Why should we not seek to please God by a list of rules? Is this verse hinting that there is a better way to overcome fleshly lusts? The next chapter will tell us the answer!