

Colossians 2:15-19

1. In v. 15 how has Jesus disarmed them and what does it mean he made a public display of them?
2. In v. 15 what does "apekduo" mean?
3. What human religion is exposed in v. 16?
4. How do these practices of ritualism in v. 16 fail in v. 17? What does it mean to call them a shadow?
5. Compare the shadow to the substance in v. 17.
6. What do asceticism, formalism, legalism, ceremonialism, and mysticism have in common in their failure?
7. How are people defrauded in v. 18?
8. What is the true source of Christian growth (v. 19)?