

- I. Stand firm in your Christian faith (v.6-7)
  - a. We have **received** Christ as Lord of our life
  - b. We must **continue** to live in Jesus
  - c. We must be **rooted** in Jesus

Ephesians 3:16-19

16 I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, 19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge— that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

- d. We must be **built up** in Jesus
  - e. We must be overflowing with **thankfulness**
- II. Do not overcomplicate your life in Christ (v.8-23)
  - a. Stand up against any **false teachings** that are based on human ideas

2 Timothy 4:3 ESV

For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions,

- b. You do not need **secret** knowledge
  - c. Circumcision was not required to be a **Christian**
  - d. Do not let old Jewish rules and rules added later, **weigh you down**
  - e. Angels do not intercede for us, **Jesus** is fully capable of this
- III. Salvation is meant to be simple
  - a. Admit- Admit to **God** that you are a sinner

Romans 3:23

23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

- b. Believe- Believe that **Jesus Christ** is God’s son and accept God’s gift of forgiveness from sin

John 3:16

16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

- c. Confess- Confess your **faith** in Jesus Christ as savior and Lord

Romans 10:9

9 If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.