## **Community Group Discussion Guide**

Sunday, June 10, 2022 Scripture: Colossians 2:16-3:4

## THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

The gospel teaches us to reject asceticism and legalism and to focus our pursuits on Christ.

## QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION (Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)

- How does verse 14 provide the context for Paul's imperative in verse 16?
- According to Paul's warning in verses 16-19, what false teachings and spiritual practices were promoted in the Colossian church? Where did these spiritual practices lead them (verse 19)?
- What is Paul's reminder to the church in verses 20-22 (Galatians 6:14; 1 Corinthians 10:31)?
- Why do people practice asceticism; what are they hoping to achieve? Explain how asceticism is ineffective in overcoming sinful desires.
- What is the remedy to asceticism and legalism (3:1-4)? How do we redirect our minds and pursuits toward heavenly things?
- What does it mean that Jesus is seated at the right hand of God the Father (Hebrews 10:11)?
- To what extent has Christ saved us (verses 3-4)?

