

Pacific Growth Group – Sermon Questions
Week of May 3rd, 2026,
Sermon Series: Christ Above All
Theme: “Contending Against Counterfeits!”
Primary Text(s): Colossians 2:1-15

1. **Read Colossians 2:1-15.**
2. In Colossians 2, Paul says he is contending so that no one is deceived by “well-crafted arguments.” *What makes an idea feel convincing even if it is not rooted in Jesus?*
3. The sermon described counterfeits as things that sound close to the truth but subtly shift our trust. *Where have you seen this dynamic in your own thinking or in our culture?*
4. Platform culture was defined as a way of building identity around visibility, validation, and self-focus. *In what ways do you see this shaping how people live today? Where do you feel its pull personally?*
5. The Tower of Babel (Genesis 11) centers on the desire to “this will make us famous.” *How does that ancient impulse still show up in modern life?*
6. The sermon highlighted that even good things (like achievement, influence, or spiritual activity) can become distorted when they shift our trust away from Jesus. *What might that look like in everyday life?*
7. Paul points to both human thinking and spiritual forces as sources behind deceptive ideas. *How does recognizing a spiritual dimension change how we engage with cultural beliefs and philosophies?*
8. In Colossians 2:9-15, Paul emphasizes that everything we need is already given in Jesus. *What does it practically mean to live from that reality instead of striving to “add” something more?*
9. Jesus’ victory in Colossians 2:15 shows that the powers behind deception have already been defeated. *How does that truth shape the way we respond to competing voices and pressures?*
10. Paul describes being “knit together in love” as a safeguard. *How does authentic Christian community help us stay centred on Jesus and resist false ideas?*

11. The sermon emphasized receiving, not striving, especially in communion. *Where might God be inviting you to stop striving and instead receive what Jesus has already done?*