## **Rulers and Authorities**

## Colossians 2:15-19

There is a powerful but defeated, rebellious and created, layer of spiritual forces which are active in the world.

Layer
Authority
Created
Rebellious
Defeated
Active
From where do these demonic, dark, cosmic, ruling authorities derive the power they use?
How do these forces make contact with our realm?

## Wednesday Discussion

## Colossians 2:15-19

- 1. When you need a definitive answer, where or how does one get it?
- 2. Is Google a good source for answers? Why or why not?
- 3. Deuteronomy 18:13-15. Why was it forbidden to have necromancers and fortune tellers?
- 4. Colossians 2:10, 15. If Jesus is the creator and head, of all rulers and authorities why are there some that needed disarming?
- 5. If they have been disarmed and defeated, how is that they are active? (Look in Colossians 2)
- 6. What are the weapons and power these rulers and authorities use?
- 7. How were these weapons taken away?
- 8. If they were disarmed, then how do they still have power?
- 9. Does Colossians 2:8 help you understand why they have power?
- 10. Does the fact that they are rulers and authorities mean anything for how we relate to these forces in the heavenly places?
- 11. Does it mean anything for how we fight against them? With what weapons do we fight them? Again, does Colossians 2:8 help you infer an answer to this question?
- 12. How has this modern, materialistic, scientific age affected how you think about the spiritual realm?