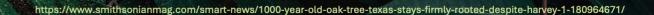


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The Big Tree has survived at least 40 hurricanes









- Salvation is a life lived in union with Jesus
- More than forgiveness of sins
- Deep transformative relationship with Jesus



- Rooted in Christ
- Built up in Christ
- Strengthened in the faith
- Overflowing with thankfulness



### GUARD the truth of CHRIST

False teaching undermines Christ (v8)

- Human tradition (cf. Colossians 2:16)
- Elemental spiritual forces (cf. Colossians 2:18, 20)

Faithful teaching exalts Christ (v9-10)



# GRASP the fullness of CHRIST

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#### Jesus has...

- Circumcised our hearts (v11)
- Crucified our flesh (v11-12)
- Cancelled our sins (v13-14)
- Conquered our enemies (v15)

