

The Deep End — Episode 11: Scripture References by Timestamp

Timestamp	Topic	Scripture
00:00	Opening thought: God gives us power, love, and sound judgment rather than fear	2 Timothy 1:7
00:49	Celebrating God's goodness through generosity, joy, and community	James 1:17 ; Romans 14:17
02:32	Are Halloween, Christmas, and Easter pagan holidays?	1 Corinthians 10:23–31
10:27	Why Christians disagree about celebrating holidays	Romans 14:1–6
11:20	Does a tradition's origin determine its meaning today?	1 Corinthians 8:4–8
12:15	Distinguishing cultural customs from actual idol worship	Deuteronomy 12:29–32 ; 1 Corinthians 10:14–22
13:49	Celebrating Jesus' birth and resurrection	Luke 2:8–20 ; 1 Corinthians 15:3–8
14:28	How do Christians know whether a celebration honors God?	Colossians 3:17
14:58	Can a cultural practice change meaning over time?	Romans 14:5–8
15:50	Biblical examples of rejecting, receiving, or redeeming cultural practices	Daniel 1:3–20 ; Acts 17:22–28
16:15	The biblical prohibition against idolatry	Exodus 20:3–6
16:55	Jesus participates in the Feast of Dedication	John 10:22–23
17:33	Jeremiah instructs God's people to seek Babylon's welfare	Jeremiah 29:4–7
18:21	Genesis and its relationship to ancient creation stories	Genesis 1:1–31
18:59	Paul uses Greek poetry to communicate biblical truth	Acts 17:22–31
19:25	Paul's teaching about purchasing food previously associated with idols	1 Corinthians 10:25–30

20:39	Evaluating religious origins and present-day practices	1 Thessalonians 5:21–22
22:43	Why Halloween feels different from Christmas and Easter	Ephesians 5:8–11
25:42	Halloween's historical development and the question of pagan origins	Romans 14:5–6
27:57	Distinguishing spiritual beings from evil spiritual beings	Hebrews 1:14 ; Ephesians 6:12
31:16	Feasting, community, and cultural celebrations	Ecclesiastes 3:12–13
32:37	How Christians respond to customs from surrounding cultures	1 Corinthians 9:19–23
34:43	Remembering faithful Christians who have died	Hebrews 12:1–2
36:53	All Souls' Day and questions about praying for the dead	Hebrews 9:27
38:51	How historical traditions differ from modern Halloween	1 Corinthians 10:31
40:20	How community traditions can lose their original meaning	Deuteronomy 6:6–9
44:54	Is Halloween uniquely associated with spiritual evil?	Psalm 24:1 ; Ephesians 5:11
45:54	Every day belongs to God	Psalm 118:24
46:44	The difference between participating in a cultural celebration and practicing the occult	Deuteronomy 18:9–14 ; 1 Corinthians 10:20–21
48:39	Responding to Halloween with prayer and generosity	1 Thessalonians 5:16–18
49:00	Hospitality and community as a Christian response	Romans 12:9–13 ; 1 Peter 4:9
50:28	Christians are not required to observe the same holidays	Romans 14:5–6
51:39	Living in the tension of God's kingdom: already, but not yet	Luke 11:20 ; Romans 8:18–25

52:53	Jack-o'-lanterns, folklore, and Christian imagery	1 Thessalonians 5:21
55:22	The development of modern trick-or-treating	Romans 14:5–6
58:25	Paul's warning against fellowship with demons	1 Corinthians 10:14–22
01:00:57	Replacing destructive practices with good ones	Ephesians 4:22–24
01:01:52	Transition from Halloween to Christmas	Luke 2:10–14
01:02:28	Christmas, Saturnalia, and Roman religious festivals	Luke 2:1–20
01:04:39	Jesus as the true light and morning star	John 8:12 ; Revelation 22:16 ; Malachi 4:2
01:05:31	Did Christians adopt December 25 from pagan festivals?	Luke 2:1–7
01:06:26	Ancient Christian calculations of Jesus' birth date	Matthew 1:18–25
01:08:13	Christmas and the danger of consumerism	Matthew 6:19–24
01:10:54	Gift-giving, generosity, and celebrating Christmas	Acts 20:35 ; 2 Corinthians 9:6–8
01:11:49	Wonder, imagination, and children's experiences	Mark 10:13–16
01:14:31	Family traditions and differing convictions about Santa	Romans 14:13–19
01:16:10	Are Christmas trees a form of idolatry?	Jeremiah 10:1–10
01:17:13	Distinguishing cultural traditions from pagan worship	1 Corinthians 8:4–6
01:19:51	Recovering Christmas as a celebration of charity and community	Hebrews 13:15–16
01:24:08	Transition to Easter and the resurrection	1 Corinthians 15:12–20
01:25:02	Easter's relationship to Passover	Exodus 12:1–14 ; 1 Corinthians 5:7–8
01:26:26	Was the Christian resurrection celebration originally pagan?	1 Corinthians 15:3–8
01:27:24	Eostre and the English name for Easter	Romans 14:5–6

01:30:13	Does using a culturally inherited name imply worship of another god?	1 Corinthians 8:4–6
01:31:15	Christian freedom should produce discernment rather than fear	Galatians 5:1 ; 1 Corinthians 10:23–24
01:32:37	Easter eggs and their development in Christian tradition	1 Corinthians 15:35–49
01:33:48	Eggs as symbols of resurrection and new life	2 Corinthians 5:17
01:35:13	The Easter bunny and German folk traditions	Romans 14:5–6
01:36:21	Examining the claim that Easter comes from Ishtar	1 Thessalonians 5:21
01:38:35	God's kingdom is characterized by joy, generosity, and love	Romans 14:17 ; Galatians 5:22–23
01:39:17	Celebrating God's goodness without fear	2 Timothy 1:7
01:41:14	The importance of communal feasting and fellowship	Acts 2:42–47
01:42:40	Respecting different convictions about holidays	Romans 14:1–23
01:45:39	Maintaining allegiance to Jesus while rejecting idolatry	1 Corinthians 10:14–22 ; Colossians 3:17
01:46:13	Closing challenge: investigate history, examine traditions, and follow Jesus	Romans 12:2 ; 1 Thessalonians 5:21