

ROOTED IN CHRIST

COLOSSIANS 2

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Who Christ Is:

The image of
the invisible
God

The Creator of
all things

The One who
holds everything
together

The Head of the
Church

Stay strong in TRUTH (v. 1-5)

Encouraged hearts



Unity in love



Confidence in truth



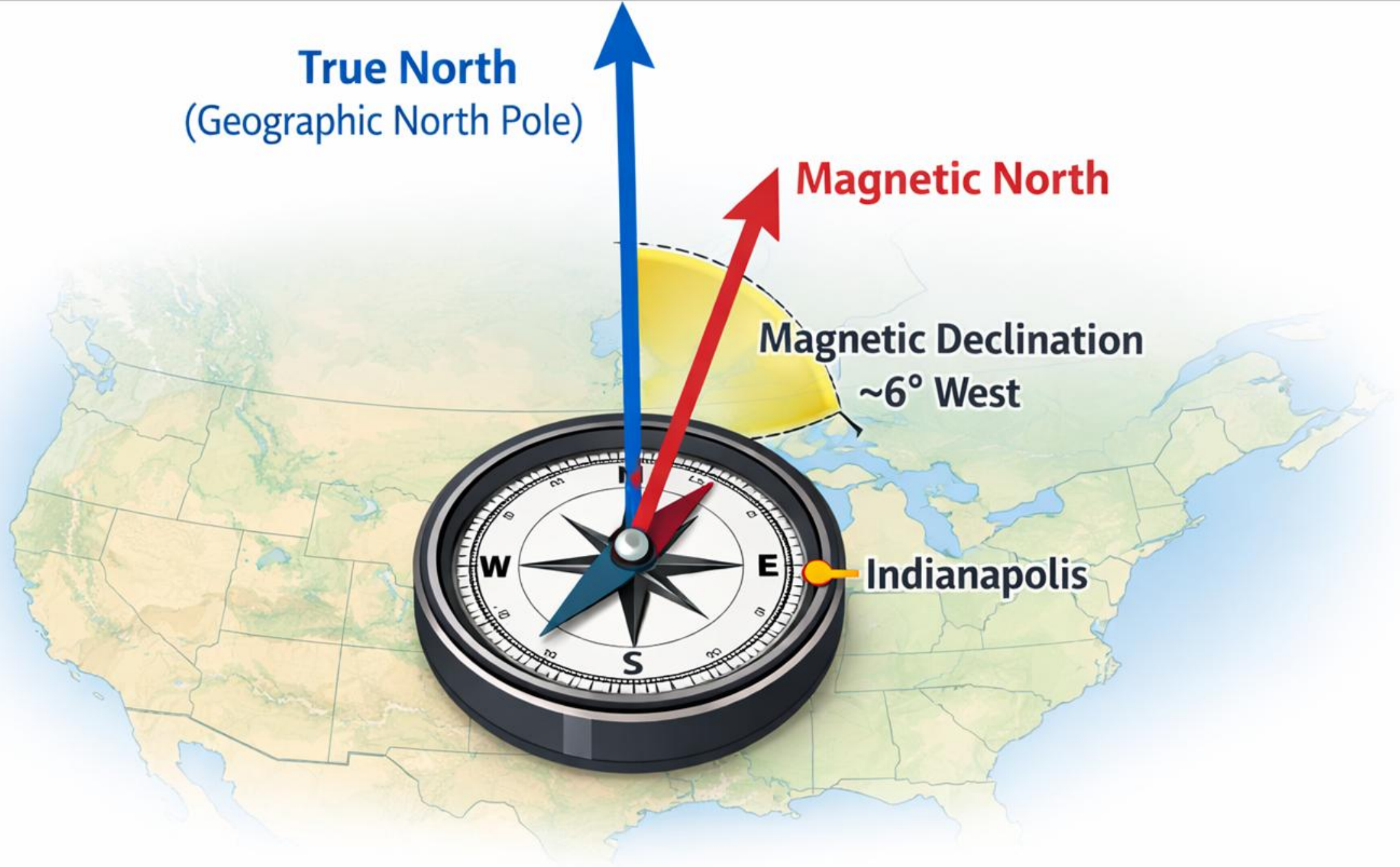
Christ as the source of all wisdom and knowledge

True North
(Geographic North Pole)

Magnetic North

Magnetic Declination
~6° West

Indianapolis



**Continue to
Live in
Christ
(v. 6-7)**

Rooted – deep foundation

Built Up – ongoing growth

Strengthened – stability in truth

Overflowing – with thankfulness

Don't Be Taken Captive (v.8)

Hollow and deceptive philosophy

Human tradition

Not centered on Christ

“If it's not rooted in Christ – it won't lead you to Christ”

You Already Have Everything You Need in Christ (v. 9-15)

Fullness of
God in
Christ

You have
been
brought to
fullness

Debt
canceled –
nailed to
the cross

Victory
won – He
triumphed

Warnings (v. 16-23)

Don't let anyone judge your spirituality by external rules

- Don't go back to shadows when you have the substance

Mystical, impressive spirituality can actually pull you away from Christ

- Any spirituality that bypasses Christ is NOT from God

Human rules may look wise, but they cannot transform the heart

- Rules can modify behavior, but only Christ can transform the heart

Stay Rooted (Application)

Prayer – Stay Connected to Jesus



Reading God's Word – Staying Aligned



Memorize Scripture—Strengthening the Roots



Fellowship – Growing Together



Share Your Faith – Overflowing with Gratitude



Everything you need is already found in HIM!