

Christ is All

Colossians 1:15-20, 3:11

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1. Jesus is God

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. —Colossians 1:15

John 1:1-2, Hebrews 1:1-3

The Son is the radiance of God’s glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word.—Hebrews 1:3

2. Jesus is Lord of Creation

For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. ¹⁷He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

—Colossians 1:16-17

A. By Him....Head as source of creation

B. For Him—Head as the reason for creation

C. All things hold together—Ongoing creator

3. Jesus is Lord of the **Church**

And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.

—Colossians 1:18

Jesus is Lord...

A. Head as **Chief**, commander

B. Head as **first** in line

C. Power to reconcile—**Ongoing** redemption

Application: So what?

1. Jesus is real. Jesus, the all-powerful, infinite God cares about you.

Created us in Love. Reaches out to us in Love.

We **must** respond to God's Love.

2. Jesus is God, the Lord of the Universe and Lord of our lives.

God **deserves** and **demand**s first place in our lives.

“Let's stop calling it “a busy schedule” or “bills” or “forgetfulness.” It's called evil. God is holy. In heaven exists a Being who decides whether or not I take another breath. This holy God deserves excellence, the very best I have.” —Francis Chan (*Crazy Love*, 92)

3. Jesus Christ continues to move among us.

In what area of your life is Jesus working today?

Memory Verse:

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