

JESUS—The ONE and ONLY!

Colossians 1:15-20 Jesus First Series Part 3

Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation, ¹⁶ for through Him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can't see—such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through Him and for Him. ¹⁷ He existed before anything else, and He holds all creation together. ¹⁸ Christ is also the head of the church, which is His body. He is the beginning, supreme over all who rise from the dead. So He is first in everything. ¹⁹ For God in all His fullness was pleased to live in Christ, and through Him God reconciled everything to Himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ's blood on the cross.

Colossians 1:15-20

There are so many people today who want to make Jesus just One among many ways to Heaven.

I am the way.....No one can come to the Father except through Me. —Jesus John 14:6

Of the 100 or so billion people who have lived on this world only ONE stands out w/ impact → _____!

Just His Birth changed BC to AD!!!

“Jesus has had more effect on the history of mankind than any other of its race, whoever existed.”

Noted Historian Kenneth Scott Latourette

THREE THINGS TO HELP US UNDERSTAND WHO JESUS IS

I. Jesus Alone Reveals the _____!

Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. Colossians 1:15 “image” = eikon exact representation

⁹ For in Christ lives all the fullness of God in a human body.

Colossians 2:9

No one truly knows the Son except the Father, and no one truly knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him.

Matthew 11:27

He that has seen Me has seen the Father

John 14:9

Everything was created through Him and for Him. ¹⁷ He existed before anything else....

Colossians 1:16-17

He CANNOT have been created if He Created EVERYTHING!

II. Jesus Alone Rules the _____!

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Colossians 1:16-17

A. Jesus is the Power of Creation--¹⁶ for through Him God created everything

If there is no CREATION then You have a serious....

- > Problem with Scriptures
- > Problem with Salvation
- > Problem with Society

If the entire mass of the earth were converted entirely to energy you would have
149,792,529,789,469,606,666,666,666,666,667 kilo watt hours

B. Jesus is the Preserver of Creation --*He existed before anythingHe holds all creation together.*
How Long will He keeping holding it together? Until the end of the _____! Rev. 20:9-11

¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come as unexpectedly as a thief. Then the heavens will pass away with a terrible noise, and the very elements themselves will disappear in fire, and the earth and everything on it...On that day, he will set the heavens on fire, and the elements will melt away in the flames.

II Peter 3:10,12

C. Jesus is the Purpose of All Creation Everything was created through Him and **for Him.**

What's this world coming to? It's coming to _____.

III. Jesus Alone Reconciles the _____!¹⁹ *For God in all His fullness was pleased to live in Christ, and through Him God reconciled everything to Himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ's blood on the cross.* Colossians 1:19-20

O, Hallelujah! Glory to God! This One who created it all; this One who preserves it all; this One who is the eikon, the express image of Almighty God; the highest of the high, the Lord of lords and the King of kings—can you believe it?—He stepped out of Heaven and died on a cross!

When you see His deity, then you'll understand the greatness of His death.

Answers:

Jesus, Father, Universe, Millennium,
Jesus, Lost

Financial Update

Total Weekly Budget
\$ 12,080.00
Weekly Offering
Received
November 3, 2019
\$ 7,351.53

PRAYER LUNCH

STUDENT MINISTRY
FUNDRAISER

November 10th | 11:15 am



Next Steps WHERE DOES GOD
WANT YOU TO GO
FROM HERE?

New Members Class

Sunday, November 17th
11:15 am
In the Fellowship Hall