

# COLOSSIANS

CHRIST OVER ALL



## The Truth About Jesus Colossians 1:15-23



<sup>15</sup>He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.



<sup>16</sup>For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.



<sup>17</sup>And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.



<sup>18</sup>And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.



<sup>19</sup>For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,



<sup>20</sup>and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.



<sup>21</sup>And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds,



<sup>22</sup>he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him,



<sup>23</sup>if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.



### Jesus' Relationship with the Father, the Creation, the Church, the Colossians



# 1: Jesus is the Image of the Father (vs 15)



### Hebrews 1:3 (ESV)

<sup>3</sup>He is the radiance of the glory of God and <u>the exact imprint of his nature</u>, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,



### John 14:9 (ESV)

Plesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?



### 2 Corinthians 4:6 (ESV)

<sup>6</sup>For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.



# 2: Jesus is Lord Over All Creation (vss 15-17)



### Psalm 89:27 (ESV)

<sup>27</sup>And I will make him the firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth.



## 3: Jesus is the Head of the Church (vss 18-20)



### Romans 12:5 (ESV)

<sup>5</sup>so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.



### Ephesians 4:15-16 (ESV)

<sup>15</sup>Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ,



### Ephesians 4:15-16 (ESV)

<sup>16</sup>from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.



<sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.



<sup>21</sup>For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.



<sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.



<sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.



### Colossians 3:10-11 (ESV)

<sup>10</sup>and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.



### Colossians 3:10-11 (ESV)

"Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.



# 4: Jesus is the Savior (vss 21-23)



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