

Studies in Colossians: Part Three

Wed. Bible Study

Who is Jesus? v.15-23

1. His Holiness Exalted v. 15-17

- A. **Character** “image of the invisible God” (Heb. 1:1-3, Jn. 14:9, 1:18)
- B. **Ceaseless** “firstborn” (Jn. 1:1-2, 8:56-58)
- C. **Creator** “all things created” (Jn. 1:3)
 - a. **Life and Land** “visible” (Rom. 1:20)
 - b. **Light** “invisible” (Gen. 1:3-4)
 - c. **Law** “thrones...powers” (Eph. 1:21, 1Pet. 3:22)
- D. **Center** “for him” (Ph. 2:9-11, Ps. 150:6)

2. His Humanity Explained v. 18-20

- A. **Perfect a People** “head of the body” (Eph. 5:23, Heb. 10:1-10)
- B. **Pave a Path** “firstborn... the dead” (Jn. 14:3, 1Cor. 15:20)
- C. **Prevail in Power** “the preeminence” (Rom. 1:3-4, 2Cor. 13:4, Heb. 2:14)
- D. **Perform a Part** “pleased the Father” (Is. 53:10, Lk. 22:41-42)
- E. **Pay a Price** “blood of his cross” (Rom. 6:23, Gal. 3:13)

3. His Handiwork Exclaims v. 21-23 (Eph. 2:10)

- A. **Propitiation** “he reconciled” (Rom. 3:25, 1Jn. 4:10, Eph. 2:13-16)
- B. **Presenter** “to present you” (Jude 1:24)
 - a. “Unblameable” (Ph. 3:9)
 - b. “Unreproveable” (Rom. 8:31-34)
- C. **Promise** “hope of the gospel” (2Cor. 1:19-22, Titus 2:11-13)