

3 - THE SUPREMACY OF CHRIST (COLOSSIANS 1:15-23)

I. Jesus Christ Exalted (1:15-20)

A. The image of God (1:15a)

- Jesus Christ is the _____ of the invisible, living God.

B. The firstborn over Creation (1:15b)

- Jesus Christ is the _____.

C. The Creator of Heaven and Earth (1:16)

1. The Creator

- Jesus Christ is _____.

2. His creation

- He created all things in _____.

3. The means

- It is through Jesus Christ that _____.

4. The purpose

- All things _____ for Jesus Christ.

D. Eternal (1:17a)

- Jesus Christ has _____.

E. Sustainer (1:17b)

- Jesus Christ sustains _____.

F. The Head of the Church (1:18a)

- Jesus Christ is the _____.

G. Resurrected (1:18b)

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- Jesus Christ is resurrected and is the first of those who will _____.

H. The fullness of God (1:19)

- Jesus Christ is fully God in _____.

I. The Reconciler (1:20)

- Jesus Christ has reconciled all things because of _____.

II. Christ's Reconciliation (1:21-23)

A. Our reconciliation (1:21)

1. Our prior condition

- We were once aliens and enemies because of _____.

2. Our present state

- Jesus Christ has _____.

B. The means (1:22a)

- We have been reconciled through _____.

C. The purpose (1:22b)

- We are reconciled in order to be presented _____.

D. Our perseverance (1:23a)

- This will be true if we hold fast to the _____.

E. The Gospel (1:23b)

- This message of salvation is available to _____.

- Paul was a _____.