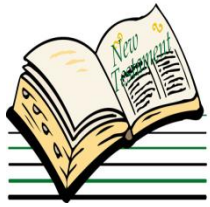


# Sermon Notes



Title: *The Five Solas Series: Solus Christus*

Text: Colossians 1:15-23; 2:9-15

Theme: Christ, and Christ alone, is the foundation of your salvation because of Who He is and what He has done.

I. Supremacy of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ - Colossians 1:15-23

II. Supremacy of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ - Colossians 2:9-15

III. What is *Solus Christus*?

- A. Christ is the Alone \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Savior
- B. Christ Alone is the \_\_\_\_\_ for Our Salvation
- C. Christ Alone is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Gospel

IV. Some Ways the Church Today Frequently Subverts *Solus Christus*

- A. Living that \_\_\_\_\_ Christ and the Gospel
- B. Preaching that \_\_\_\_\_ Christ and the Gospel
- C. Discipleship that \_\_\_\_\_ Christ and the Gospel

V. *Solus Christus* and You

Questions to Answer from the Texts in Colossians 1 and 2:

1. What was the problem plaguing the church in Colossae?
2. In 1:15-17 Paul stresses that Christ is supreme over what?
3. What does “firstborn of all creation” mean and what does it not mean (v. 15)?
4. Who is presented as the Creator (v. 16)?
5. What is the ultimate source for why everything in the world coheres and holds together rather than disintegrating (v. 17)?
6. In 1:18-20 Paul emphasizes that Christ is supreme over what?
7. Who is the Head of the Church (v. 18a) and what does this mean?
8. What does the word “beginning” (v. 18b) imply?
9. In 1:21-23 over what is Christ supreme?
10. In 2:9-15 in what four major areas is Christ’s work of supremacy highlighted?

Questions to Discuss and Consider at Home or in Small Group:

1. Give a brief summary of *Solus Christus*.
2. Why was *Solus Christus* so important in the 16<sup>th</sup> century setting?
3. What is the distinction between necessary and sufficient? Why was (and still is) this important in the issues raised in the 16<sup>th</sup> century?
4. How well do you think the Church understands and practices *Solus Christus* today?
5. What are some ways you see the Church undermining *Solus Christus*?
6. What is “eudaimonism”? How is this exhibited by people in the Church?
7. What is a popular, common view of preaching in many church settings today? How should *Solus Christus* impact preaching and teaching? How should it impact worship? Discipleship? Marriage? Parenting? Education?