

Who is Jesus? The Person and Work of Christ
Colossians 1:15-20
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The empty tomb means much because of who left it empty.

Who is Jesus? What did he do?

Jesus is Lord of the first creation, the re-creation, and the new creation.

Jesus is the Image of the Invisible God

We are made in the image of God. How is Jesus different?

John 14:9, “He who has seen me, has seen the Father,”

Jesus is the Firstborn of all Creation

I am created, Jesus was created. What’s the big deal?

Psalms 89:27, “And I will make him the firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth.”

Jesus is the Creator of all Things

John 1:3, “All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made.”

Jesus is the agent and goal of all creation.

Jesus is Pre Existent

Jesus has *being* in himself. He is the great I AM!

Jesus holds All Things Together

Jesus “upholds the universe by the word of his power” (Hebrews 1:3)

He keeps the planets spinning, the stars burning.

Jesus is the Head of the Church

Jesus is the leader, protector, and provider for the church.

He is the Beginning (Of what?)

The New Creation. He brings heaven to earth.

Jesus is the Firstborn from the Dead

Wait a minute. Didn’t others rise from the dead before Jesus?

When we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, we celebrate our own.

Jesus is Preeminent in All Things

The incarnate, obedient, exalted Messiah earned the name above every name!

Jesus is creator, sustainer, and now redeemer of all things.

The Fullness of God Dwells in Jesus

Everything needed to save, and to satisfy us is in Jesus.

Jesus Reconciles all Things to Himself

All things — the whole creation — is restored by the reconciling work of Christ (see Romans 8:21),

Jesus is Peacemaker, through the Cross