

Colossians - Lesson 4 - Who Is Jesus?

Who He Is	What He Claimed	What He Accomplished
<p><u>Image of the invisible God (1:15)</u> - eikon (#G1504) - “icon” - exact expression (Phil 2:6; Jn 1:14; 14:9) - He 1:3; Jn 1:18; Jn 1:9 - radiance of God’s glory and exact representation of God’s nature - He is one with the Father, but yet distinct - Col 2:9 - fully God - all the Deity dwells in Him</p> <p><u>Firstborn of all creation (Col 1:15)</u> - Heb 1:6; Ro 8:29 - 1st in rank, superiority, supremacy over creation - Ex 4:22; Jer 31:9</p> <p><u>He is Creator (Col 1:16)</u> - He is not created - Gen 1:1, 26 - Let Us/in Our image - He 1:2; Jn 1:3, 10</p> <p><u>Before all things (Col 1:17-18) - Jn 1:2</u></p> <p><u>Holds all things together (Col 1:17; He 1:3)</u></p> <p><u>Head of the body - church (Col 1:18)</u> - guides, directs, instructs, moves</p> <p><u>Beginning - the firstborn from the dead (Col 1:18)</u> - first to have true resurrection life - Those in the church will follow Him into eternal life (Ro 8:29; Rev 1:5)</p> <p><u>All the fullness of Deity dwells in Him (Col 1:19; 2:9)</u> - Phil 2:5-11 - He existed in the form of God - but emptied Himself to become man obediently going to the cross - Jn 1:1, 14</p> <p><u>He is the mystery (Col 1:26-27; 2:2)</u></p> <p><u>He is head over all authority (Col 2:10)</u></p> <p><u>He is the substance (Col 2:17)</u></p>	<p>Jn 12:45 - to see Him is to see God Jn 14:7 - To know Jesus is to know God Jn 14:11 - He is in the Father and the Father is in Him</p> <p>Jn 8:58 - before Abraham was born - I AM Ex 3:14 - referring to Jehovah</p> <p>Jn 10:30-33 - I and the Father are one - the Jews wanted to kill Him - blasphemy - claiming to be God</p> <p>Jn 8:24 - If you don’t believe that Jesus is God - that He is who He claims He is - you will die in your sins</p> <p>I AM GOD - You MUST believe</p>	<p><u>In Him we have redemption - the forgiveness of sins (through His blood) (Col 1:14)</u></p> <p>Redemption</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - paid for our sins - Payment or clearing of a debt - Delivered from bondage on payment of a price by a redeemer (Someone covers our debt) - Bought with a price - bought out of slavery (I Cor 6:20; 7:23; I Peter 1:18-19; Jn 8:34; Ro 7:14; Ro 4:25) - Jesus would pay the debt (Gal 4:7; II Cor 5:18-19; Eph 2:1-7; Ro 3:23-28; Ro 5:6-11) - Heb 1:3 - when Jesus made purification for our sins He sat down - job was complete - It is finished (Jn 19:30; He 9:12, 26-28) <p><u>Through Him God has reconciled all things to Himself (Col 1:20, 22)</u> - through His fleshly body - His death - Jn 1:12 - those who believe in His name</p> <p><u>You are complete in Him (Col 2:10)</u></p> <p><u>Cancelled out the certificate of Death having nailed it to the cross (Col 2:11-15)</u></p>

Colossians - Lesson 4 - What Is the Church?

What the Church Is Not	When the Church Began	Design of the Church	Purpose of the Church
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - not a building - Not a denomination - It is not a certain procedure - It is not an organ or other specific actions - Not a sect/cult - Not a list of do's and don't's - Not works - Not a business - Not full house attendance - Not programs - Not dress-up - Assigned seats - Not a revival - Not an emotional gathering - Not a concert - Not a show - Not a feel good motivational speech 	<p>Matt 16:13-18 Peter = petros = little stone Rock = petra = huge boulder or mountain On this rock (mountain) I will build My church Peter's confession - the church will be built on Jesus Christ - Peter's confess was that He was the Christ the Son of the Living God</p> <p>Church was promised by Jesus and was built on Jesus as the foundation - added to by all those who confess His Lord</p> <p>True believers - action that goes with confession</p> <p>Acts 2:1-4 (21) Day of Pentecost - the Holy Spirit came and was distributed to each one</p> <p>Jews and the Gentiles</p> <p>This was the beginning of God's Kingdom - His body that would represent Him on the earth</p>	<p>Built on Jesus I Peter 2:4-6 Living Stone, Choice Stone, Cornerstone</p> <p>Believers are livingstones being built into a spiritual house</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - holy priesthood - Offering up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God (Ro 12:1-2) - Obedience <p>Eph 2:21 - being fitted together into a holy temple - to be a dwelling place for the Spirit</p> <p>Col 1:18 - Jesus is the head of the body - have 1st place in everything</p> <p>Col 1:19-22 - He reconciled all things to God - He made her pure</p> <p>Eph 1:22-23 - head of the body - we are members of His body</p> <p>Mystery - Christ in you - the hope of glory (Col 1:25-27)</p> <p>Eph 2:11-16; 3:1-7 - Jew and Gentile in one body together - Jesus being the one who united</p>	<p>Eph 3:8-10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - take the riches of Christ to the world - Bring the light of Christ - Make known God's wisdom though the church to the rulers and authorities <p>I Tim 3:15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - conduct ourselves - walking in a manner worthy - Pillar and a support of truth <p>We bring glory to God in every situation</p> <p>We worship Him (worship)</p>