Colossians - Lesson 4 - Who Is Jesus?

Who He Is	What He Claimed	What He Accomplished
Image of the invisible God (1:15) - 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 Firstborn of all creation (Col 1:15) - Heb 1:6; Ro 8:29 - 1st in rank, superiority, supremacy over creation - Ex 4:22; Jer 31:9 He is Creator (Col 1:16) - He is not created - Gen 1:1, 26 - Let Us/in Our image - He 1:2; Jn 1:3, 10 Before all things (Col 1:17-18) - Jn 1:2 Holds all things together (Col 1:17; He 1:3) Head of the body - church (Col 1:18) - guides, directs, instructs, moves Beginning - the firstborn from the dead (Col 1:18) - first to have true resurrection life - Those in the church will follow Him into eternal life (Ro 8:29; Rev 1:5) All the fullness of Deity dwells in Him (Col 1:19; 2:9) - 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 He is the mystery (Col 1:26-27; 2:2) He is head over all authority (Col 2:10) He is the substance (Col 2:17)	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 Jn 8:58 - before Abraham was born - I AM Ex 3:14 - referring to Jehovah Jn 10:30-33 - I and the Father are one - the Jews wanted to kill Him - blasphemy - claiming to be God 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 I AM GOD - You MUST believe	In Him we have redemption - the forgiveness of sins (through His blood) (Col 1:14) Redemption - 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) Through Him God has reconciled all things to Himself (Col 1:20, 22) - through His fleshly body - His death - Jn 1:12 - those who believe in His name You are complete in Him (Col 2:10) Cancelled out the certificate of Death having nailed it to the cross (Col 2:11-15)

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