

The Supremacy of the Son

Colossians 1:15-20

The Task and the Aim

We are the redeemed people of God

declaring the infinite worth of Christ for the everlasting joy of all people.

A high view of Christ fuels our worship, steadies our perseverance, and sustains our faithfulness.

The Son Revealed – God Made Visible (v. 15)

“He is the image of the invisible God.”

The Son is the definitive _____ of God.

There is no _____ of God, no _____ to God, and no _____ with God except through Christ.

The Son Exalted – Lord Over Creation (vv. 15b-17)

“...the firstborn over all creation. For by him all things were created...”

Firstborn – _____ and _____

“I will make him the firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth.” (Psalm 89:27)

Creator – _____ of All Things

“For by Him all things were created...”

Goal – _____ of All Things

“...all things were created through Him and for Him.”

Sustainer – _____ of All Things

“He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.”

Nothing in existence stands _____ of Him, and nothing in your life lies outside His claim.

The Son Reigning – Head of the New Creation (v. 18)

Head of the Church – Absolute _____

“And he is the head of the body, the church.”

The Beginning – Source of _____

“He is the beginning ...”

Firstborn from the Dead – Resurrection _____

“... the firstborn from the dead.”

The purpose:

“...that in everything He might be preeminent.”

The Son Sufficient – to Reveal and to Redeem (vv. 19-20)

“For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell ...”

Fullness – Total _____

Everything that makes God God is present in Christ.

Reconciliation – Peace Through _____

“...and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things... making peace by the blood of His cross.”

Everything will be brought into alignment – either through _____ or _____.

Conclusion:

This is the right ordering of life:

To see Christ for who He is,

To trust Christ for what He has done,

And to bring your life under His authority.