Jesus—Nothing More, Nothing Less The Preeminence of Christ Colossians 1:15-20

Sermon Notes for July 12, 2020

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Jesus—Nothing More, Nothing Less Discussion/Study Guide for Colossians 1:9-14

We hope this guide will help you go deeper into God's Word and spur you on in obedience to what God is teaching us today. Please feel free to use all or part of it for your group discussion or personal study.

- Reread Colossians 1:15-20 aloud. Who is the "he" that Paul is talking about in this passage? How do you know this?
- From this passage, what are some titles or characteristics you could use to describe the Lord Jesus?
- Of these titles and characteristics which is most meaningful to you?
 Why?
- Of these titles and characteristics which is most difficult to understand or accept? Why?
- What does it mean to you that Jesus shows us the invisible God?
 Look up John 1:1-5, 14,18; 14:7-11; Hebrews 1:3-4
- Look up and read Col. 2:15 and Eph. 6:12. How do these verses help us understand who Paul is referring to as the rulers and authorities in Col. 1: 16? How does this encourage you to know that these rulers and authorities have been created by Jesus, through Jesus, and for Jesus?
- From this passage what is the role of the Church in the world today?
- O What is the purpose of the fullness of God dwelling in Jesus?
- What is the instrument through which Jesus brings about reconciliation and peace?

Putting It Into Action:

- Knowing these truths about Jesus, how can you "walk in a manner worthy of the Lord?"
- Who do you know that needs to experience reconciliation? How can God use you to be extension of Jesus so that they might experience His peace?
- In what ways can you stand against the "rulers and authorities" in order to see God's will fulfilled in your daily living?