

The Deity of Christ
Colossians 1:15-23 - part 1

1. In Christ we see the Father

a. He is the image of the invisible God.

*2 Corinthians 4:1-6; John 1:18**

Hebrews 11:24-28

b. The first born of all creation

Hebrews 1:1-13; Ps 89:27; Rom 8:29

Luke 2:22-23; Exodus 13:11-16

2. ALL things were created by and for Him

a. He is before all creation

John 1:1-3

b. Nothing exists without Him

Jeremiah 29:10-14

c. In Him All things hold together

Hebrews 1:1-4

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶ For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

²¹ And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, ²³ if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister. ¹

* *John 1:18 NASB*

No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him.²

¹ *The Holy Bible: English Standard Version*. (2016). (Colossians 1:15-23). Wheaton, IL: Crossway Bibles.

² *New American Standard Bible: 1995 Update* (La Habra, CA: The Lockman Foundation, 1995), *Jn 1:18*.