

ALL THE FULLNESS OF GOD Colossians 1:15-23

Consider Jesus. Know Jesus. Learn what kind of Person it is you say you trust and love and worship. Soak in the shadow of Jesus. Saturate your soul with the ways of Jesus. Watch Him. Listen to Him. Stand in awe of Him. Let Him overwhelm you with the way He is.

-John Piper

1. Knowing Who Christ Is

- The place of Christ in creation

- The place of Christ in the church

2. Knowing What Christ Has Done

- The reconciliation of Christ

- The response of the church

Small Group Homework

Getting to Know You

1. What would you sing at karaoke night?

Into the Bible

2. Hebrews 1 is a second key passage about who Jesus Christ is. Read Hebrews 1:1-4, then list the things Christ is said to be. Go back to Colossians 1:15-20 and list the characteristics of Christ that you find there. Are the two lists the same? What are some nuances of His supremacy that you find in one of those passages but not the other?

3. Matt talked about the meaning of “firstborn” through the Bible. He reminded us that it doesn’t only refer to being oldest. Read 1 Corinthians 15:20-28. How does Christ’s position as first fruits of the resurrection fit in as part of his position as firstborn over creation in Colossians 1?

Application

4. Matt spoke about false pictures of Christ that are current in the world. How could the truth about Him in Colossians 1 help you to reject those false Christs and worship the true one?

5. What does it mean to be established in our faith? How does knowledge of who Christ is help you personally to remain established and firm?