

- _____ (Matt. 28:19-20)
- _____ (Col. 3:17; Rom. 12:1)

Key Question: How is every part of your life being lived out FOR Him?

5. Jesus is the _____ of all created things.

Colossians 1:17: ... and in him all things hold together.

Hebrews 1:3: *The Son is the radiance of God's glory, and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word.*

- _____ grace
 - Extends to all of creation
 - Psalm 104
- _____ grace
 - Only extended to those that God has chosen to save
 - John 6:39
 - Romans 8:38-39

FINAL THOUGHTS

Jesus Christ is God because He has the power to create; He was the instrument used in Creation; He's the reason why everything was created; and He's the sustainer of all Creation. Jesus is glorified when we have a high view of who He truly is, understand that He is sovereign over all creation, and realize that He is reigning over the universe right now.

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

"Jesus Is Supreme!"

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INTRODUCTION:

Colossians 1:15-17: *He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. 17 He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.*

1. Jesus is _____ God.

Colossians 1:15: *He is the image of the invisible God...*

- The word "image" in the Greek is εἰκών (eikon), which is where we get our English word for _____.

Colossians 1:15: *He is...the firstborn over all creation.*

- Firstborn does _____ mean "first-created".
- Firstborn means of first _____ or first _____.
 - Psalm 89:27: I will also appoint him my firstborn, the most exalted of the kings of the earth.
 - Exodus 4:22: Then say to Pharaoh, 'This is what the Lord says: Israel is my firstborn son,

- Implies Jesus' _____ to creation in _____.
- Implies Jesus' _____ over creation in _____.

2. Jesus has the _____ to create.

Colossians 1:16: For by him all things were created...

- "By" is the Greek preposition ἐν (en), which means "in".

"By Him" is *en autōi* (ἐν αὐτῷ), here, not instrumental but locative; "in Him" were all things created. Vincent says: "In is not instrumental but local; not denying the instrumentality, but putting the fact of creation with reference to its sphere and center. In Him, within the sphere of His personality, resides the Creative will and the creative energy, and in that sphere the creative act takes place.

Thus creation is dependent on Him."

Wuest, K. S. (1997, c1984). *Wuest's word studies from the Greek New Testament : For the English reader (Col 1:16)*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans.

- The "for" in Greek is ὅτι (hoti), which is causal, meaning "because".

"He is the One who has priority to and sovereignty over all creation. Because in Him were created the all things..."

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3. Jesus is the _____ used to create all things.

Colossians 1:16: ... all things were created by him and for him.

- The Greek preposition used here is διὰ (dia), meaning "through".

- Paul turns his focus from Jesus' ability and power to create, to the fact that he is also the _____ for creation.

John 1:1-3: *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.*

- The Word ("Logos") is the creative means, which brings about the "old creation" in Genesis 1; and in John 1 the Word brings about the "new creation".

2 Corinthians 5:17-18: *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation: the old has gone, the new has come! 18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.*

4. Jesus is the _____ why all things were created.

Colossians 1:16: ...all things were created by him and for him.

Jesus is the...

- _____ for creation (*made in or by Him*)
- _____ used in creation (*made through Him*)
- _____ for creation (*why it was made*)

What's the purpose for our creation?

- _____ (*Heb. 10:25*)
- _____ (*2 Pet. 3:19; Phil. 2:12*)
- _____ (*Phil. 2:3-4*)