

Colossians 1:15-20

Before All Things PRIMER

Bottom Line:

Although Jesus is - by nature and by right - before all things, he humbled himself to die on a cross, reconciling all creation unto himself, so that he could be before all things in your life too.

Quote:

But set Christ apart as Lord in your hearts... 1 Peter 3:15a NET

Read:

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. 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. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 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. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

(Colossians 1:15-20 ESV)

Questions:

1. What was your big takeaway from Sunday's message?
2. Read Colossians 1:15-20
 - a. What does this passage teach about God? Make a list.
 - b. What does this passage teach about you, mankind, in light of who God is?
3. Jesus wants to be before all things in your life. Why does he deserve to be?
 - a. Try to answer based upon the list you created from above rather than a one word or phrase answer. Make it comprehensive. Convince yourself.
4. How do you make Jesus first in your life?
 - a. What has he done? What is his responsibility?
 - b. What is your responsibility?
5. What's your next step?