### COLOSSIANS | THE PREEMINENCE OF JESUS

Colossians 1:15-23 | JULY 21, 2019

**Colossians 1:15-23 (NIV)** 15 The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. <sup>16</sup> For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup> And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. 19 For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, <sup>20</sup> and through him to reconcile to himself <u>all things</u>, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. <sup>21</sup> Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. <sup>22</sup> But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation—23 if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant.

#### JESUS IS FOR EVERYONE!

> JESUS IS <u>CONCERNED</u> FOR EVERY ASPECT OF EVERY LIFE OF EVERY CREATURE.

**Colossians 1:15 (ESV)** <sup>15</sup> He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

JESUS IS PREEMINENT | SURPASSING ALL

**Colossians 1:16 (ESV)**  $^{16}$  For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible

#### JESUS IS PREEMINENT OVER <u>CREATION</u>

- Genesis 1:1 (NIV), John 1:1-3 (NIV), Romans 1:18-25 (NIV)
- CREATION IS NOT <u>ULTIMATE</u>; CREATION <u>SERVES</u> SOMETHING HIGHER, AND THAT SOMETHING IS JESUS.

**Colossians 1:16b (ESV)** ...whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.

#### JESUS IS PREEMINENT OVER POLITICS

• *John 19:10-11 (ESV)* 

**Colossians 1:17 (ESV)** <sup>17</sup> And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

#### JESUS IS PREEMINENT OVER ME

> JESUS HOLDS ALL THINGS TOGETHER – I DON'T.

**Colossians 1:18-20 (ESV)** <sup>18</sup> 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. <sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

#### JESUS IS PREEMINENT OVER THE CHURCH

**Colossians 1:21 (ESV)** <sup>21</sup> And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds...

**Colossians 1:22-23 (ESV)** <sup>22</sup> 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, <sup>23</sup> 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.

## MAKE JESUS PREEMINENT (FIRST) IN MY LIFE

# CONNECT

#### **WAVE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

Want to keep up with all that is going on at Wave? Simply fill out your communication card and write 'Newsletter' to get a weekly email update from Wave!

# GROW

# SERMON PODCASTS | wavechurchsd.com/sermons/

Summer is in full swing – although no one has told the weather! Many of us will be traveling and can't make it to church, but you can still keep up with our sermons online! Want to hear a section again, or send it to a friend? Download our sermon podcasts at http://wavechurchsd.com/sermons/

# **SERVE**

# THE GREAT BACKPACK GIVE | Now - Aug. 4th

We started our summer service project and would love for you to partner with us in our backpack drive to bless the orphans at Door of Faith! The big ask was for 100 backpacks, and WE CAN DO IT! Details are available on the Website, or click the link in the Newsletter for easy access to all the information.

## WAVE FAMILY CAMP | Aug. 8-10, 2019

We will be traveling to La Misión, Mexico for a two-night, three-day family missions trip at Door of Faith Orphanage. During our time there, we will be spending time with the kids, serving meals, and helping prepare a space for Door of Faith's new school! Making quality connections is what missions are all about, so please bring your whole family! For more information, and to register, check the Newsletter or visit our website. Hope to see you there!

# WE NEED YOUR HELP | Serve Teams

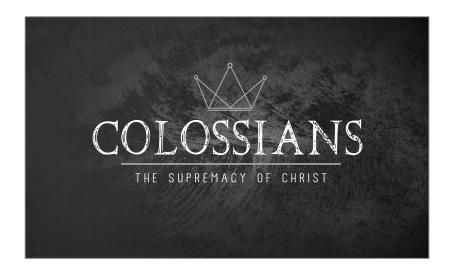
We have a few service teams who are looking for more volunteers. Are you part of a serve team yet? Or would you like to try something new? Serving is a great way to make new connections, while making a difference in our church body. Please fill out a connection card with your name and the area you would be willing to serve, and a team leader will be in touch with you!

Hospitality: GreetersAudio/Visual: Slides

• Kids Ministry: Classroom volunteers

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