

Above All: Head of The Church
Colossians 1:18-20
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Colossians 1:18

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. (ESV)

I. Christ is the _____ of _____ church.

A. Jesus is the head of the _____.

B. The Church is the _____ of _____.

1 Corinthians 12:12-20

C. Jesus is the _____ of the church.

Matthew 16:18

D. Jesus' resurrection is the _____ of the church.

1 Corinthians 15:54-55

E. Jesus and His gospel is the _____ of all the church is and does.

II. _____ of Jesus.

Colossians 1:19

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, (ESV)

A. God in _____.

Matthew 3:16-17

B. Jesus on a _____.

Philippians 2:5-11

Colossians 1:20

and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross. (ESV)

III. Jesus is reconciling _____ to Himself.

A. Jesus is reconciling _____.

B. Jesus _____ His _____.

1. _____.

1 Corinthians 1:18-21

2. _____.

1 Corinthians 15:54-55

3. _____.

Romans 16:20

C. _____.

Romans 8:19-20

This Week's Songs:
Your Grace Is Enough
Our God Reigns
The Wonderful Cross
Man of Sorrows

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Small Group Questions
From: Colossians & Philemon,
by John MacArthur

*You do NOT have to answer or discuss every question. Feel free to just pick a few. These are meant to guide you in truth. If you are having trouble answering a question, ask your small group leader to help you. They are committed to helping you develop as an authentic follower of Christ.

The COMMUNITY:

1. When did you first learn about Jesus?

Into the WORD/APPLICATION:

Here are some suggested sites in order to dive deeper into God's Word: blueletterbible.org, desiringgod.org/articles/all, biblos.com, ccel.org, logos.com, connect.ligonier.org, thegospelcoalition.org/channel/bible-and-theology.

1. Read Colossians 1:18-20 and answer the following questions.
 - a. What is reconciliation? Define it simply.
 - b. How would your life look if you truly gave Christ the place of preeminence?

2. Read Hebrews 1 and answer the following questions.
 - a. What further insight about Jesus' identity do you gain from Hebrews 1?
 - b. The word used in Hebrews 1:3 translated "express image" is the Greek term *charakte*, and refers to an engraving tool or stamp. The idea is that Jesus is the exact "stamp" or likeness of God. Why is it important to believe and defend that Jesus was God in the flesh, and not just a messenger sent from God?
3. What new insight into the Person of Jesus Christ have you gained from this study? Is there something new you've learned that you did not understand before?