

Opening Question

What would you say is the primary influence that shapes your life? What causes you to do most of the things you do?

Read Together

Read through Colossians 1:15-23 as a group. Then take some time of quiet and allow everyone to read it again for themselves. Circle any words that stand out to you.

Big Idea

I am who I am because Jesus is who He is.

Discussion Questions

1. What stands out most to you about the verses you have just read?
2. The Visible God: Why is it significant that Jesus came and visibly lived among us? Verse 15 (1 John 1:1-3)
3. The Creator: What is Jesus' relationship to all the created order? Verse 15-17
4. Think of this personally. What implications for your life does the fact that creation was created through Him, and for Him have? (Romans 11:36) What confidence can you have based on this?
5. Head of the Church: What is Jesus' relationship to the church? Verse 18-22 According to verse 21 what was our state prior to the work of Jesus? According to verse 22, what is our state now?
6. Jesus is the supreme creator and head over the church. What implications does this have for your life? What confidence can you have based on this?

Challenge

The challenge for this week comes directly from verse 23. How can you continue to stand firm in the truth of who Jesus is? How can you avoid drifting away from the confidence this gives you?

Prayer

Ask Jesus to continually show you who He is. Ask Him to teach you what the implications of HIS identity are for YOUR life.

