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Sunday, July 12, 2009

**“CHRIST FIRST”**

(Colossians 1:15-23)

“Who is Jesus?” It’s a question everyone needs to answer. Everyone seems to have an opinion about Jesus. Who is Jesus to you? There is a right answer to the question. Our Bible passage today will provide a sweeping description of Jesus the Christ.

**1. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 15).**

*“Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father” (John 14:9, NIV).*

*“No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father’s side, has made him known” (John 1:18, NIV).*

**2. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 16).**

*“Let us make man in our image” (Genesis 1:26, NIV).*

*“God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him” (John 1:3, NIV).*

**3. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 17).**

*“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest... you will find rest for your souls” (Matthew 11:28-29, NIV).*

**4. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“Christ suffered for our sins once for all time. He never sinned, but he died for sinners to bring you safely home to God” (1 Peter 3:18, NLT).*

*“At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father” (Philippians 2:10-11, NIV).*

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*“Any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciple”* (Luke 14:33, NIV).

*“at the name of Jesus every knee should bow”* (Philippians 2:10, NIV).

**1. Jesus is the God-Revealer (v. 15).**

*“For God was pleased to have all His fullness dwell in Him”* (Colossians 1:19, NIV).

*“He is the image of the invisible God”* (Colossians 1:15, NIV).

*“Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father”* (John 14:9, NIV).

*“No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father’s side, has made him known”* (John 1:18, NIV).

**2. Jesus is the World-Maker (v. 16).**

*“Let US make man in our image”* (Genesis 1:26, NIV).

*“Jesus Christ is the glove that the Father puts on when He creates the world.”* The Bible says, *“God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him”* (John 1:3, NIV).

**3. Jesus is the Life-Sustainer (v. 17).**

*“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest... you will find rest for your souls”* (Matthew 11:28-29, NIV).

**4. Jesus is the Relationship-Fixer.**

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