**COLOSSIANS: THE PREEMINENCE OF CHRIST IN HIS CHURCH**

Colossians 1:15-19

1) How does John 1:18 help understand the truth of Jesus being the “image” of God?

2) What separated mankind from the rest of creation? (Genesis 1:26)

3) What separates Jesus from the rest of mankind according to verse 15?

4) What does it mean that Jesus is the “firstborn?” (Psalm 89:27)

5) According to Colossians 1:16, who spoke the words in Genesis 1:3?

6) What is the extent of Jesus’ creation?

7) What does it mean that Jesus created all things “for” him?

8) According to Paul, what is Jesus doing presently with creation? (verse 17)

9) Read Ephesians 1:15-23. What does it mean to us that Jesus is head of the church?

10) How does one become a member of Christ’s body? (1 Corinthians 12:12-13)

11) How is Jesus firstborn from the dead?

12) What is true about Jesus in 1:18b because of verses 15-18?

13) What events in Christ’s earthly life did the Father verbally express his pleasure in Jesus?

14) For those who are in Christ, what is available to us? (Ephesians 3:19)

15) [personal] Choose one of these verses and meditate over it and praise the Lord concerning it.

16) Jesus is preeminent in everything. What areas of my life do I need to give over to His Lordship?