

The Preeminence of Christ

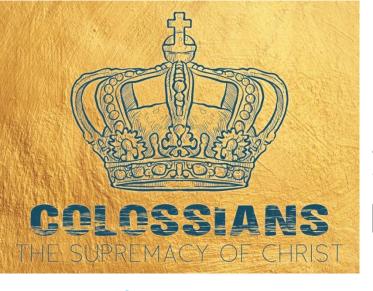
Col 1:15-18

Colossians

- ✓ This passage explains the connection between the Supremacy and the Sufficiency of Christ.
- ✓ The connection between Christ as Creator and Redeemer.
- ✓ That Christ is before time, on earth and over all.

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1. Christ: Supreme in Eternity v15a

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- The Representation of God
- The Character image of God





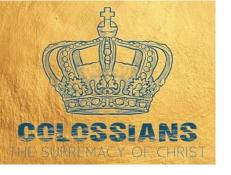
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- Christ as Creator v16





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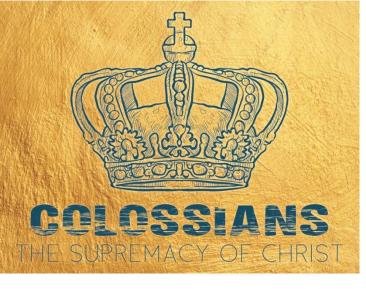
Abraham Kuyper: 'There is not a square inch in the whole domain of our human existence over which Christ, who is Sovereign over all, does not cry, Mine!'





- Firstborn over all creation
 v15— "first in rank or honour"
- Christ as Creator v16
- Christ is the goal, the end v16
- Christ is the sustainer of all things
 v17



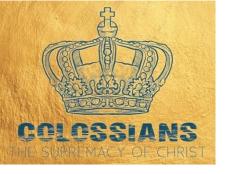


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- 2. Christ: Supreme in Creation v15b-17
- 3. Christ: Supreme in His Church v18





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Kent Hughes: "The Gnostics in all their arcane speculations could never have dreamed up something as stupendous as this. Such a plan, such a dream could only come from the mind of God"





Where should Christ have pre-eminence?

First-place in our families—marriages—our professions—mission and ministry—matters of intellect—time—In love—conversations—pleasures—eating—playing—sport—watching—art—music—First place in worship

He IS preeminent in all things; Is he in us?

