

## **Sermon Outline**

### **“The Preeminence of Christ”**

Colossians 1:15-23

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#### **Main Idea:**

Christ is preeminent and supreme, so we must continue to entrust ourselves to the hope of His gospel.

#### **Main Points:**

1. Since Christ is All and has absolute and universal supremacy over all, we should entrust ourselves to Jesus Christ.
2. The Truth of who Jesus is and what he has done protects us from false teaching and from turning away from the hope and trust we have in Christ.
3. The God that we trust in is not only the Creator of the Universe, he is also the sustainer and maintainer of all things.
4. Recognizing that Jesus Christ IS preeminent in everything is the key to living stable, secure and steadfast lives.

#### **Key Quotes:**

“But there is no one who does not cherish within himself some opinion of his own pre-eminence.” – John Calvin

#### **Fellowship Starters:**

1. Read Colossians 1:1-23 together.
2. Open in prayer giving thanks for who God is, highlighting aspects of Jesus’ nature, preeminence and glory
3. Read and discuss the main points above and identify ways in which the Holy Spirit is bringing a greater understanding of Christ supremacy and preeminence
4. Robin quoted Theodore Roosevelt’s daughter as saying about her famous father, “He wanted to be the bride at every wedding and the corpse at every funeral.” What are some ways that you see yourself making too much of your own importance and reputation, rather than Christ? There is only one who is preeminent. Discuss ways, or areas of your life, that God might be asking you to submit yourselves (by faith) to His Lordship in your life.