The Gospel: The Living Christ

People wonder what God is like. "If we could only see him, maybe then, we could know something about him." However, all believers do know what God is like. As we dive into the Word of God we are submerged in the majesty and glory of the Creator of the universe. That's what we are doing as we dive into the book of Colossians. We are getting a good glimpse into the nature of God.

One of the amazing things we discover is yet another amazing description of Jesus Christ: "He is the image of the invisible God" (Colossians 1:15). What was once invisible has now become open viewing. The message to the world is, "Take a look at Jesus if you want to see what God is like." This invitation is open to anyone with an open heart to receive God's supernatural revelation in his Word.

The true nature of God explodes into reality when we consider the reason Jesus was sent by God in the first place. God sent Jesus so that, "…through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross" (Colossians 1:20). People may wonder what God is like, but the very moment that they receive God's gift of reconciliation, the door is open wide.

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Colossians 1:15-20

1. THE IMAGE Hebrews 1:3

2 Corinthians 4:4

John 1:18

2. THE FIRSTBORN Psalm 89:27

John 1:1, 14

3. THE CREATOR Revelation 22:13

4. THE SUSTAINER John 8:58

5. THE LORD 1 Corinthians 12:27

Ephesians 1:22-23

1 Corinthians 15:25

6. THE FULLNESS John 14:7-9

7. THE SAVIOR

• Love Luke 24:25-27

John 14:6

Hebrews 10:19-20

John 10:9

Matthew 1:21

• Justice Romans 3:25-26