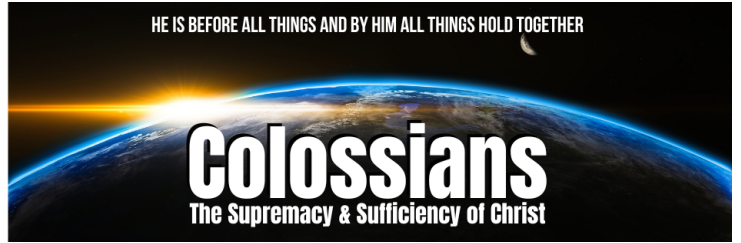


Jesus, First in All Things

May 7, 2023 – Colossians 1:15-18

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1. Creator of all things

2. Redeemer of all things

3. King over all things

Discussion Questions:

1. Explain what the Bible means when it speaks of “thrones and dominions and rulers and authorities.” How does this reality change how you view the world?
2. In Jesus “all things hold together.” How does believing this bring comfort and peace? Where are you failing to believe this fully?
3. Jesus is the beginning of new creation and the head of the church. What practical implications does this have for our church and your Life Group and D-Group?
4. Jesus is preeminent or supreme in all things. In light of this reality, what are ways in which you are not walking in a manner worthy of the Lord? What change does God want you to make to live in a manner more fitting to Jesus?

Next Steps:

1. If you are a visitor with us, we would love to connect with you. Please fill out a Connection Card and turn it at the Welcome Center. We would like to give you a gift as a thank you for joining us.
2. If you are interested in baptism, let Pastor Jon know in person or email him at pjpickens@fbclowell.org.
3. Read the Bible with us to know God and respond to Him! Below is our current schedule.

May 2023 (Two Year Reading Plan, Month 17)				
Week 1 Starting May 1	Week 2 Starting May 8	Week 3 Starting May 15	Week 4 Starting May 22	Week 5 Starting May 29
Day 1: 2 Chronicles 33	Day 1: Ezra 6-7	Day 1: Nehemiah 5-6	Day 1: Esther 1-2	Day 1: Job 3-5
Day 2: 2 Chronicles 34-35	Day 2: Ezra 8	Day 2: Nehemiah 7-8	Day 2: Esther 3-4	Day 2: Job 6-9
Day 3: 2 Chron. 36, Ezra 1	Day 3: Ezra 9-10	Day 3: Nehemiah 9	Day 3: Esther 5-7	Day 3: Job 10-12
Day 4: Ezra 2-3	Day 4: Nehemiah 1-2	Day 4: Nehemiah 10-11	Day 4: Esther 8-10	Day 4: Job 13-16
Day 5: Ezra 4-5	Day 5: Nehemiah 3-4	Day 5: Nehemiah 12-13	Day 5: Job 1-2	Day 5: Job 17-19
<p>⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” ⁹ And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.</p> <p>¹⁰ And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes,</p> <p>¹¹ and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Acts 1:8-11 (ESV)</p>				

What was your big take-a-way from the message this morning?