

Week 2 (Week of October 4) — Colossians: The One Worth Talking About

Before you begin: Please share introductions and read through the [Group Life Participation at New Cov Document](#) to learn about the purpose of groups, practices for healthy groups, and our seasonal structure.

Start Here (Ice Breaker Question):

What is something that never gets old for you—something you could talk about, learn about, or enjoy over and over again? What makes it so compelling to you?

1. Who Jesus Is -Read Colossians 1:15–17 together

1. What does this passage tell us about who Jesus is and His relationship to creation? What do you think Paul is emphasizing about Jesus through these descriptions? Is there a description that stretches or expands your understanding of Jesus?
 2. Verse 15 says that Jesus is “the image of the invisible God.” What does that tell us about Jesus and what God is like? How might knowing who Jesus is shape the way you see yourself and the world around you?
 3. According to verses 16–17, what is our relationship to Jesus and what He has created? How might this change the way we view the world around us—and our own lives?
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2. Jesus Is Supreme -Read Colossians 1:18–20 together

1. Think about areas such as family, friendships, work or school, finances, hobbies, church, and use of time. What might it look like for Jesus to have supremacy **in** these areas rather than simply being another item on the list? What would help you to begin to operate this way?
 2. According to verses 19–20, what has Jesus done to make reconciliation with God possible? Why do you think Paul connects Christ's supremacy with the cross?
 3. Consider the statement, “Jesus doesn’t enter the story of your life. Your life enters the story of Jesus.” In what ways would our lives look differently if we really believed that your life exists *for Him* rather than asking Jesus to fit into the life you’ve planned?
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3. Reconciled and Called to Remain -Read Colossians 1:21–23 together

1. How does Paul describe our situation “once” compared with what is true “now” because of Christ? What has Jesus accomplished for us?
 2. Verse 23 calls us to “continue in your faith, established and firm.” What does continuing faithfully with Jesus look like for you in this particular season? What is one concrete step you can take this week?
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Pray Together

Share prayer requests and consider praying through Colossians 1:15–23 together.

NEXT MEETING: When and where will we meet?

As a way to share responsibility for our group, who will champion these areas of our group?

- Rotation of people to facilitate group discussion (who will facilitate the next meeting?)
 - Prayer requests
 - Food or snacks
 - Group service project
 - Manage our group calendar
 - Plan for childcare
 - Other?
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(Optional) Additional Discussion

What area of your life is easiest to keep separate from your relationship with Jesus? What might it look like for Jesus to have supremacy in that area?

When you think about Jesus as the One through whom “all things were created” and in whom “all things hold together,” how does that shape the way you see your own significance?

What is one practical way you could give Jesus your “first and best” this week?

What is one thing from Colossians 1:15–23 that you want to remember or practice this week?