

## **The Deity Of Jesus Christ**

Colossians 1:15-23

Intro: This morning we will examine the biblical evidence supporting the deity or the Divine Nature of the Son of God, Jesus Christ. As the Second Person in the Trinity, He is described as possessing all the attributes of the godhead; He is co-equal co-eternal, inseparable, interdependent, and eternally united in one absolute divine Essence with the Father and the Holy Spirit.

### **I. Christ's Preexistence With The Father (vv. 15; 2:9)**

- A. Christ is "the image of the invisible God" (v. 15a)
- B. Christ is "the firstborn of all creation" (v. 15b)

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### **II. Christ's Prominence In Creation (vv. 16-17)**

- A. Christ is the Agent of creation (v. 16a)
- B. Christ is the goal of creation (v. 16b)
- C. Christ is the Sustainer of creation (v. 17)

### **III. Christ's Preeminence Over The Church 1:18, 20)**

- A. Christ is head of the body, the church (v. 18a)
- B. Christ is firstborn from the dead (v. 18b)
- C. Christ is divine: His union of deity and humanity (v. 19; 2:9; John 1:14)
- D. Christ provides reconciliation (v. 20)

Conclusion:

The biblical evidence supporting the deity of Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God is clear. As the Second Person in the Trinity, He possesses all the attributes of the godhead. The full and complete nature of God, *the fullness of the divine essence*, dwells permanently in Christ (John 1:1, 14; Col. 1:19 and 2:9).