

COLOSSIANS

TREASURING CHRIST - LIVING FOR CHRIST

Colossians 1:15-23 - *Christ the firstborn*

Verses 15-17 - Christ in Creation

- How does Paul establish that the Son of God is supreme in creation?
- In church history, and among some groups today, it has sometimes been thought that Jesus is somehow 'less than' God the Father. Do you think these verses leave any room for that?
- What difference does it make to your view of creation - and how you think about and enjoy the ordinary things of life - to know that everything is held together in Jesus?

Verses 18-20 - Christ in the church

- How does Paul describe the work of Christ in his death and resurrection in these verses?
- What do you think it means to call Christ the 'head' of the church, and the church his 'body'?
- Does this change the way you view church?

Verses 21-23

- How has Christ's work changed the Colossians?
- What does Paul want them to do now?
- How can we help and encourage one another to continue in our faith?