From the Beginning... "It's All About Him" Colossians 1:15-23 July9, 2023

"All things were made through Him (Christ), and without Him was not anything made that was made." John 1:3

I. It's all about "His" creation. (vs 15-17)

- 1. Jesus Christ is the image of God.
- 2. Jesus Christ is the firstborn of all creation.

"I and the Father are one." John 10:30

- 3. Jesus Christ created all things.
- 4. Jesus Christ holds things together.

II. It's all about "His" exaltation. (vs 18-20)

- 1. Jesus Christ is the head of the church.
- 2. Jesus Christ is the beginning.
- 3. Jesus Christ was the first born from the dead.
- 4. Jesus Christ is preeminent.
- 5. Jesus Christ is filled with all the fullness of God.
- 6. Jesus Christ brings reconciliation to all things.

III. It's all about "His" reconciliation. (vs 21-23)

- 1. Jesus Christ has reconciled those who were alienated and were enemies of God.
- 2. Jesus Christ's gospel must be continued in one's faith.

LET'S GO DEEPER:

- 1. Does humanity have a responsibility to manage the care of planet earth thinking that care extends the years of its existence while knowing Christ holds all things together? Ask this question to others and be prepared to defend your answer.
- 2. The church is identified as the body of Christ (Col 1:24), the temple of the Holy Spirit (I Cor 3:16-17), the bride of Christ (Eph 5:22-33, and the people of God (I Peter 2:9-10). As you read each of the scripture references mediate on how important it is that Jesus Christ is the "head of the church.)
- 3. The doctrine of reconciliation is also found in Romans 5:10–11 and 2 Corinthians 5:17–21. What does this teach when it comes to evangelism?