

## **OHC G2 Week #5 Spring Block 2024**

**QUICK REVIEW:** Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, convicted or confused you?

**MY STORY:** Tell of an instance in your life when you suddenly gained clarity on something that you never understood before that very moment.

**DIGGING DEEPER:** **Read:** Colossians 1:15-20

What is the meaning behind Jesus being described as the image of the Invisible God? (see John 1:18)

How much of God can we learn from Jesus according to verse 19? How much of Himself has God given to us in Jesus?

Why is Jesus called "the firstborn from among the dead?" (see Romans 8:29)

What did Jesus' death achieve according to verse 20 and what does this mean? (see Ephesians 1:7-10)

**Read** Romans 1:20

Why do you think we are "without excuse" for not clearly seeing the power of God in creation?

What qualities of God can we see in nature?

**Read** Romans 5:8 How can we imitate God based on this Scripture?

**MEMORIZE ONE:** "I have hidden Your Word in my heart that I might not sin against You."  
Jeremiah 23:24, Jeremiah 32:27, John 14:6, Hebrews 4:12

**TAKING IT HOME:** Do you have any additional thoughts or take-aways?

**Colossians 1:15-20:**

15 The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. 17 He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 18 And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. 19 For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, 20 and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

**John 1:18**

No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and<sup>a</sup> is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

**Romans 8:29**

For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.

**Ephesians 1:7-10**

7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace 8 that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding, 9 he<sup>a</sup> made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, 10 to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.

**Romans 1:20**

For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.

**Romans 5:8**

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

**Jeremiah 23:24**

Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them?" declares the LORD. "Do not I fill heaven and earth?" declares the LORD.

**Jeremiah 32:27**

I am the LORD, the God of all mankind. Is anything too hard for me?

**John 14:6**

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

**Hebrews 4:12**

For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.