

THE PERSON OF JESUS CHRIST

Colossians 1:9-17

Awareness

Before listening, reflect:

- Who do you believe Jesus is?
- Do you have any questions about the identity of Jesus Christ?

What we believe about the person of Jesus Christ influences everything we understand about salvation and God's Kingdom. Studying the scriptures that inform our beliefs allows us to uncover important truths about why we as Christians believe Jesus Christ is both the Son of God and the Son of Man. It also gives us the opportunity to evaluate our lives and learn how we can live transformed lives worthy of our Lord.

Listen: [*The Person of Jesus Christ*](#)

Reflection

After listening, consider:

- While discussing Jesus' humanity in segment 1, host Dave Bast speculates that as Christians today we "have a little bit of trouble imagining or picturing the true humanity of Jesus of Nazareth..." Would you agree or disagree, why?
- In Colossians 1:13-14, the Apostle Paul says that the Kingdom of God belongs to Jesus Christ. How does this truth inform what we believe about Jesus?
- Colossians 1:17 says "[Jesus] himself is before all things and in him all things hold together." In what area of your life right now do you need that assurance, that no matter what Jesus Christ holds all things together? How does knowing this influence the way you respond to your situation?
- How does remembering that Christ is both human and divine—the Son of Man and the Son of God—encourage your faith?

Related Passages

- **Mark 1:27-28**
- **Matthew 16:13-17**
- **John 1:1-18**
- **1 Corinthians 15:20-28**
- **John 3:16-18**

Conclusion

Re-read Colossians 1:15-17. Then consider the practical questions Dave poses as he closes the Groundwork episode, *“If this is who Jesus is, if everything belongs to him, what about me? Is he the center of my life? Does my life hold together in him? Do I acknowledge him? Is he Lord over me and mine?”*

How do you respond to Dave’s closing questions? Re-read Colossians 1:9-12. Does your life: your words, your actions, your choices, etc reflect your response? Why or why not?

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