

Who is Jesus? (Colossians 1:15-23) - Walking Together
April 21, 2024

OWNit365 Whole Bible Plan

that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God... **Colossians 1:10 NKJV**

Christ shows us who God is

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. Colossians 1:15 NKJV

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. **John 1:14 NKLV**

Christ is over Creation

For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. **Colossians 1:16 NKJV**

Christ is the Head of the Church

And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence. **Colossians 1:18 NKJV**

For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell, Colossians 1:19 NKJV

and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross. **Colossians 1:20 NKJV**

Christ is our Redeemer

And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled **Colossians 1:21 NKJV**

in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight— **Colossians 1:22 NKJV**

if indeed you continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and are not moved away from the hope of the gospel which you heard, which was preached to every creature under heaven, of which I, Paul, became a minister. **Colossians 1:23 NKJV**

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, **Ephesians 2:8 NKJV**

not of works, lest anyone should boast. **Ephesians 2:9 NKJV**

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. **Ephesians 2:10 NKJV**

This week's OWNit365 Whole Bible Plan:

April 22 – Judges 6-7 & Prov 8-9

April 23 – Judges 8-9 & Prov 10

April 24 – Judges 10-11 & Prov 11

April 25 – Judges 12-13 & Prov 12

April 26 – Judges 14-15 & Prov 13-14

April 27 – Judges 16-17 & Prov 15

April 28 - Reflection & Prayer

JESUS IS WITH ME EVEN WHEN I'M SCARED

In this series, we will be learning that Jesus is with us when we're scared. We'll be learning the Bible story about how Jesus' disciples were scared during a storm and how Jesus was with them and calmed the storm.

Memory Verse: Jesus is with us. Matthew 28:20b (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: Jesus Is with Us When We're Scared of Being Alone

TELL EVERYONE ABOUT JESUS GO AND SHARE

In this series we will learn about how Paul traveled to different places, encountered different people, went through hard times in order to obey Jesus! We are told to go <u>tell everyone about Jesus!</u> Paul listened and would go through lots of different trips where he would tell everyone about Jesus!

Memory Verse: "Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Matthew 28:19 (NLT)

Heart of the Lesson: Peter and John Heal a Beggar | Acts 3:1-1

Parent Connect: Today we learned about how Peter and John healed a beggar who was lame since birth by praying in the name of Jesus Christ. The man was able to walk for the first time since birth! Listen to this song and praise Jesus for all He's done! <u>Link.</u>



Memory Verse: "In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God." John 1:1

Heart of the Lesson: People thought too highly of themselves. Gen 10; Genesis 11:1-9; Proverbs 16:5; Psalm 18:27; James 4:10

Parent Connect: Talk about different ways you try to please God and why it's important to not rely on our own works but God's grace



The people in Colossians didn't know Paul, but they respected his leadership. They were being told by the local Jewish leaders that they needed to follow the Jewish laws on top of following the teachings of Jesus. Paul takes time in this book to establish his love for Christ followers and tells them what is truly needed to be a Christ follower (spoiler alert: it's just faith). We will be talking about who Jesus is, and what it means to follow Him as ONE TEAM!

Memory Verse: "And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful." Colossians 3:15

Heart of the Lesson: Jesus is the Coach of God's team - Colossians 1:15-23

Parent Connect: Share about how you became a follower of Jesus and what it's like for you for Jesus to be your personal coach

SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS

WALKING TOGETHER



Life is a journey, and we aren't meant to "walk" alone when we follow Jesus! This series, we are taking time to look at the book of Colossians to see how God wants us to walk together with Him and other Followers of Jesus. When we walk together as we follow Jesus, God grows and changes us, and He helps us share His love with others!

Memory Verse: Then you will be able to lead a life that is worthy of the Lord. We pray that you will please him in every way. So we want you to bear fruit in every good thing you do. We pray that you will grow to know God better. (Colossians 1:10, NIRV)

Heart of the Lesson: "Who is Jesus?" Colossians 1:15-23

Parents/Caregivers:

- Who did Paul want the Colossians to know better?
- What did Paul tell the Colossians to help them know Jesus better?
- o Who do you think Jesus is?
- o What are you most excited to tell your friends about Jesus?