

1. **Next Meeting - Wed Oct 3rd - Block 03 - 1:15-23**
2. **Read Colossians (15min).**
3. **Grammar Chunk Colossians 1:15-23**
4. **Look up cross references in Treasury of Scripture Knowledge in Colossians 1:16 (see resources below and excerpt on page 2 of this document)**
5. **Journal Questions (In addition to your own):**
 1. Read Hebrews Chapter 1. What are the similarities between Hebrews 1 and Colossians 1:15-23? How would you describe the theme of each passage?
 2. To whom does "He" refer to in the beginning of v15? What is the significance of being "the image of the invisible God?" (see Jn 1:18. 14:9. 15:24. Ro 8:29. 2 Co 4:4, 6. Ph +2:6. 1 Ti 3:16. He 1:3) (Colossians 1:15)
 3. Does referring to "firstborn of creation" suggest that he was created? Does "firstborn" simply mean "born first (Ps 89:20-29)?" Were Israel (Ex 4:22), David (Ps 89:27), and Ephraim (Je 31:9), and Christ (Ro 8:29. Col 1:15, 18. He 1:6. Re 1:5) all born first? What meaning beside being born first might "firstborn" carry? (Colossians 1:15)
 4. What is to be included in the phrase "all things (v16, 17, 20)?" Who created "all things" in the Old Testament (Nehemiah 9:6, Ps 148:1-5)? Who created "all things" in this passage? When verse 20 speaks of "all things, whether on earth or in heaven" being reconciled to God through Jesus does that mean that Satan and fallen angels can be—and ultimately will be- forgiven for their sins and redeemed? (helpful cross references Ps 8:6. Pr 16:4. Jn 1:3. Ph 3:21. 4:13. He 3:4. Re 4:11)
 5. What is the meaning of the phrase "to reconcile all things to him" What is the relationship of this expression to the words which follow, "having made peace through the blood of his cross?" How does this relate to the notion of God's leading the evil powers in his triumphal procession at chapter 2:15? (Colossians 1:20)
6. **Online Resources:**
 1. <https://gracechurchaz.org/gcaz-mens-ministry/>
 2. Bible Project: <https://youtu.be/pXTXIDxQsvc>
 3. <https://www.biblestudytools.com/concordances/treasury-of-scripture-knowledge/colossians/>

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16. by him were. ver. 15. Ps *102:25-27. Is *40:9-12. ✓44:24. Jn *1:3. 1 Co +*8:6. Ep *3:9. He *1:2, 10-12. *3:3, 4. all things. Logically, if all things have been created by Christ, then he of necessity is uncreated, an absolute proof of His deity. This explains why the Jehovah's Witnesses in their New World Translation felt constrained, for doctrinal reasons, to make the unwarranted addition to the Word of God at this verse by adding "other" so as to read "all other things," making a lame attempt to justify such an addition by a reference to Lk 11:41, 42 or 13:2, 4. In the early editions (1950, 1951, and six volumes bound in one, 1963) of their translation, "other" was not even included in brackets, as it now is—a change perhaps prompted by the harsh criticism of many Bible scholars. ver. 17, 20. Is 44:24. Jn 1:3. Ep 3:9. He 1:2. 2:10. in heaven. ver. 20. Dt *4:39. 1 Ch 29:11. Ep +*1:10. Ph *2:10. Re *5:13, 14. thrones. f173, Ge +27:44. Col 2:10, 15. Ezk 10:1. Ro +*8:38. Ep *1:21. *3:10. *6:12. 1 P *3:22. dominions. Col 2:15. Ep +*1:21. powers. 1 P 3:22. all things. Ps 8:6. Pr 16:4. Jn +*1:3. Ph 3:21. ●4:13. He 3:4. Re 4:11. by him. Pr *16:4. Is *43:21. Ro *11:36. 1 Co 8:6. He *2:10. for him. T#76-2. Pr +16:4 (T#209). Ep 1:5. He +9:14 (T#346).

Smith, J. H. (1992). The new treasury of scripture knowledge: The most complete listing of cross references available anywhere- every verse, every theme, every important word (p. 1399). Nashville TN: Thomas Nelson.