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## SERMON OUTLINE

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### Focused on the Supremacy of Jesus Christ

Colossians 1:15-23

- Jesus Christ is supreme over all creation (Colossians 1:15-17).
  - He is fully God (15a)
    - “Image” – He’s fully God, but visible, unlike the Father.
  - He created and sustains everything (15b-17).
    - “Firstborn” – He did not “begin,” but is supreme.
- Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church and thus supreme over all the church does (Colossians 1:18).
  - *The Head of the body* – Christ is in charge of the church and all are connected to him and each other.
  - *The Beginning and Firstborn* – Christ began the church, giving me life because He conquered death.
  - *Supremacy in everything* – Pleasing Christ must therefore be my priority always (Colossians 1:10).
- Jesus is the God-Man and Savior worthy of my fully devotion (Colossians 1:19-23).
  - Christ must have first place in my life because He is fully God (19).
  - Christ must have first place in my life because I am reconciled to God through Him (20-23).
    - Christ’s death addressed all the effects of sin in the universe (20-21; Romans 8:20-23).
    - Christ’s death reconciled me to God so He could make me holy in God’s sight (22-23)

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Open Door Bible Church 12-9-12

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