

Know Jesus Know God

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Colossians 1:9-14

¹⁰ And we pray this in order that
you may live a life worthy of the Lord
and may please him in every way:

bearing fruit in every good work,
growing in the knowledge of God,

¹¹ being strengthened
with all power according to his glorious might so that
you may have great endurance and patience, and
joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father,
who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints
in the kingdom of light.

¹³ For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son
he loves,

¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Colossians 1:15-20

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God,

1) Jesus is the image of God

the firstborn over all creation.

2) Jesus is the inheritor over all creation

¹⁶ For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him.

3) Jesus is the creator of all

¹⁷ He is before all things,

4) Jesus is eternal

and in him all things hold together.

5) Jesus is the sustainer of all

¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church;

6) Jesus is the head of the church

he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.

7) Jesus is preeminent

¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him,

8) Jesus is God

²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven,

9) Jesus is the reconciler

by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

John 1:1-5

¹ In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

² He was with God in the beginning.

³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of men.

⁵ The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.

Hebrews 1:1-4

¹ In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways,

² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe.

³ The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

⁴ So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.