

Discussion Questions for Life Groups

Read Col. 1:15-23, and then review the main points of the sermon outline.

1. **(Christ is Supreme over Creation)** Read Col. 1:15-16. What is the significance for you of the fact that the universe was created by Christ and for Christ? What difference should this make in your outlook about world events? What difference should this make in relation to your personal behavior?
2. **(Christ is Supreme in Reconciliation)** Share from *Experiencing Christ Study Guide*, page 24, My Response: "Knowing that Christ is the ultimate authority in the church, write down ways this impacts your involvement in the local church."
3. **(Christ is Supreme in Reconciliation)** "When we confront the supremacy of Christ, we grasp that we are not the center of the universe. All of life does not revolve around us." This extract from the sermon leads us to ask, how can we refocus our lives and get back on track? What kind of changes would it take to focus on Christ and his kingdom?
4. **(Christ is Supreme in Reconciliation)** Read Col. 1:19-20. The price Christ paid to make reconciliation possible for us was death. What price are we willing to pay to show our gratitude? What might we be holding back as our own and not his?
5. **(Christ will present us to God)** Read Col. 1:21-22. Jesus once said that the one who is forgiven little loves little (Luke 7:47). How does it feel to be free of accusation before God?
6. **(Christ will present us to God)** Question from *Experiencing Christ Study Guide*, page 32, My Response: "Our salvation is secure in Christ. The Scriptures also put emphasis on the need to continue in the faith. Spend some time writing about what next steps you will take to continue strong in the faith, not taking anything for granted."

Enrichment Study for Life Groups

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| Philippians 2:5-11 | How did he get the name above all others? |
| Luke 7:41-50 | Have you considered how much love you owe? |
| Romans 8:31-39 | Who will dare accuse God's own? |

Heads-Up for Next Sunday

This week is a fresh opportunity to begin the *Experiencing Christ Study Guide* at

Week 3 and to prepare for next weekend's sermon!

**Experiencing Christ: A Journey through Colossians
Knowing Christ Colossians 1:24-2:5
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