

COLOSSIANS 1:15-23: Paul's Defence of Jesus

Why is it so important to have a strong 'DOCTRINE OF CHRIST?'

1. We need to know _____ Jesus _____ & _____ He _____.
2. There are challenges to the deity of Christ in all the world's _____
_____ & in the numerous _____ Christian sects.

THE DEMONIC AGENDA IN PLAY

The assault on _____.

Entitlement to _____.

Leading to the cult of _____.

All because the Enemy is desperate to _____ Jesus.

WHAT DO OTHER FAITHS SAY ABOUT JESUS?

ISLAM: A revered _____, but _____ God.

HINDUISM & BUDDHISM: A _____ man & a wise _____.

JUDAISM: An extremist _____ or a good, but
martyred Jewish _____.

WHAT DO THE TWO MAIN QUASI-CHRISTIAN CULTS SAY ABOUT JESUS?

MORMONS: Opening claims sound very much like _____
_____, but dig a little deeper and
considerable _____ soon appear.

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES: Jesus is _____ God, but a _____ &
_____ spirit being, who never _____
as God, nor _____ to God.

WHAT DOES PAUL SAY ABOUT JESUS in Colossians 1?

1. _____ of the invisible God (v15)

- * Christ _____ God.

2. _____ over all creation (v15)

- * Signifies the _____ of the Son of God.

3. The _____ (v16) ... John 1:1-3, Hebrews 1:2-3

- * Paul _____ by describing Jesus as
_____ of _____.

4. _____ (v17)

- * _____ all, _____ of all, was _____ all.

- * Christ is _____
_____.

- * The Message: Jesus must be _____ in _____.

5. The _____ of the body (v18)

- * Head means _____ & _____, as well as _____
& _____.

6. The _____ (v18) ... John 1:1, Revelation 22:13

- * It's not just that Christ was _____ the beginning or was present _____
the beginning. He _____ the beginning.

7. _____ from among the dead (v18) ... Revelation 1:5, Romans 8:29

8. The _____ of God (v19) ... Colossians 2:9

- * Pleroma = The _____ of all the divine _____ &
_____.

- * There is _____ or _____ or
_____ in the person of Jesus Christ.

RECONCILED (v20-22)

- * Alienated = _____.

- * Reconcile = Bringing two _____ parties _____,
taking them from _____ to _____.

- * N.B. God did the reconciling _____ ... means we
take no credit.