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Colossians: Rooted in Christ

Jesus: Supreme Over the Church

Colossians 1:18

Jesus is supreme over everything. While that seems simple enough to understand, Paul makes sure we understand that everything includes the church. Jesus Christ is the preeminent authority in the church. Every area of the church falls under His life-giving rule.

Additional Verses:

Matthew 16:13-20, 28:19-20

Acts 26:23

Romans 6:5-11

2 Corinthians 5:17-18

3 John 9

Revelation 2-3

Outline:

1. Jesus reigns as head of the church.

2. Jesus secures the creation of the church.

3. Jesus defines the entrance to the church.

4. Jesus establishes the mission of the church.

5. Jesus ensures the future of the church.

Study Questions:

1. What does it mean that Jesus is head of the church? How do you see this truth displayed at Red Bank?

2. How did Jesus establish the church? How is the church a new creation?

3. What is the requirement for entrance into the church? What all does that confession imply?

4. How is the church the visible representation of Jesus on the earth? How is this connected to the mission of the church?

5. What are some of the promises Jesus made to the church? Why are we confident Jesus will fulfill those promises?

6. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?