

**DISCUSSION GUIDE: Colossians 1:15-20**  
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1. Read Colossians 1:15-20.

—What does this text teach us about the deity of Jesus (the fact that Jesus is fully God)?

—Read Matthew 8:23-27. How do we see the humanity and deity of Christ in this passage of Scripture?

—If we believe that Jesus is the creator and sustainer of all things, how should this change the way we look up to him and the way we pray?

2. Turn to the book of John and read the following passages John 14:15, John 14:21, John 14:23, John 15:10.

—How does Jesus make the connection between loving him and obeying him? (Also see Matthew 22:34-28.)

—Why is it essential that we love and obey Jesus?

3. There is a tendency for us to boast about other things that we love apart from God. Read Jeremiah 9:23-24.

—What does God encourage us to boast in?

4. Read Colossians 1:18.

—Why is it necessary to remember that Jesus Christ is the head of the church?

—Because Jesus Christ is the head and we are the body, we should make it a priority to get together with other Christians in the Body. Read Hebrews 10:24-25 and discuss why we should make it a priority to regularly meet with others in the church. How does this look in your life?

—Take time to encourage and pray for each other as fellow believers in the body.