The Supremacy of Jesus Christ---Accept No Substitutes for a Life of Faith in Him

(Sermons Series on the Book of Colossians)

Message 4: There is Salvation in No One Else Colossians 1:15-23

When we come to *Colossians 1:15ff*, scholars believe this passage may have been an ancient hymn in the early church. These verses are the high point in the entire letter of Colossians. Remember, the Colossian church is being attacked by false teaching. The false teachers are taking aim squarely at the Person of Christ. Isn't that what cults usually do? When cults attack Christianity, they usually attack the Person and Work of Jesus Christ. Why is this the case? Because Christ is Christianity. Christianity is not simply another law or a code. Christianity is summed up in a person, namely Jesus Christ. If you can undermine Jesus Christ, you can undermine Christianity. So, Paul is responding to the cultists at Colossae.

What we see in this text is the marvelous union of the humanity and the divinity of Jesus Christ, and God the Father working through His Son to reconcile humanity unto Himself. It is a hymn of praise to Jesus Christ for His work in creation and His work in redemption. In both creation and redemption, Jesus Christ deserves the highest praise.

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Christ deserves our worship and He deserves our best. We rightfully belong to Him. Remember				
	t today, He made you; you belong to Him. He is a			