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Jesus the Preeminent One



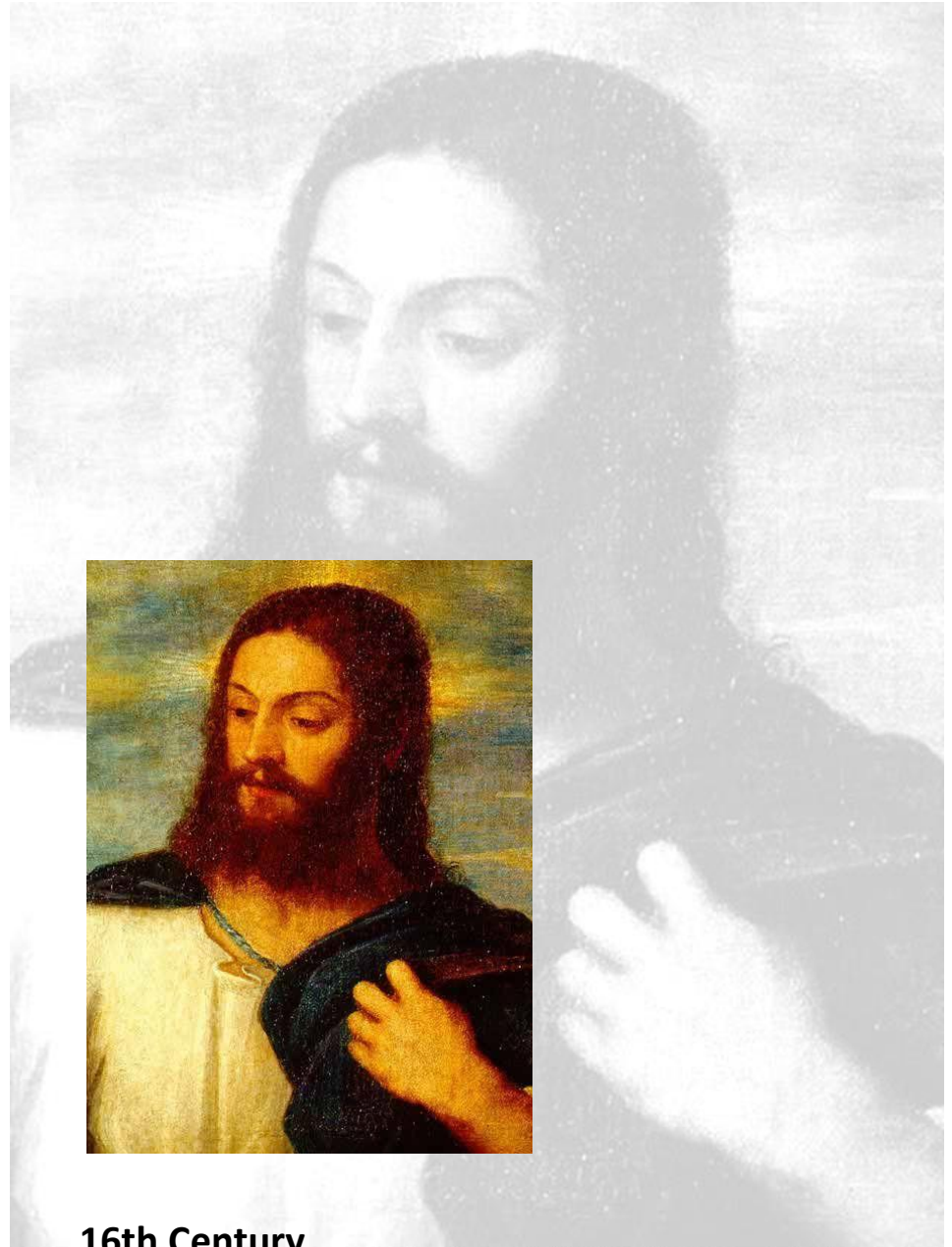
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The Incomparable Jesus!

Jesus Christ as Seen
from the Eyes of God

The Image of God

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. 16 For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. 17 He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. 18 He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that He Himself will come to have first place in everything. 19 For it was the Father's good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in Him, 20 and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him, I say, whether things on earth or things in heaven.



16th Century
Renaissance painting by Titian

JESUS,

The Image of God

COLOSSIANS 1:15





Jesus Christ

The **world's** view:

- Good man/teacher
- A prophet/philosopher

The **Christian's** view:

- Lord and Savior

What about **GOD's** view?

- **Colossians 1:13-2:15**

The Father's view...

1. His relationship to Satan: *Conqueror & King!*



Hebrews 2:14-15

For He **rescued** us from the domain of darkness, and **transferred** us to the **kingdom** of His beloved Son, 14 **in whom** we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

COLOSSIANS 1:13-14

The Redeemer of Man

The Father's view...

2. His relationship to God: *Divine!*



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He is the **image** of the
invisible God, the **firstborn**
of all creation. **Psalm 89:27**

COLOSSIANS 1:15

The Image of God



JESUS

And He is the radiance of His glory
and the **exact** **'character'** **representation** of His
nature, and upholds all things by
the word of His power.

HEBREWS 1:3

The Father's view...

3. His relationship to the world/universe: *Creator!*



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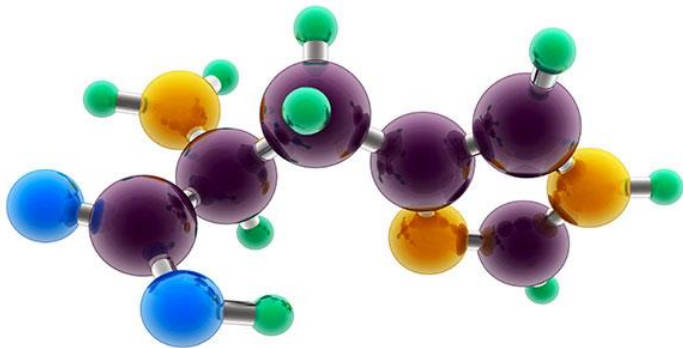
COLOSSIANS 1:16

The Creator of All

The Father's view...

3. His relationship to the world/universe: *Creator!*

17 He is before all things,
and in Him all things hold
together.



COLOSSIANS 1:17

The Creator of All

*"...all things have been created
through Him and for Him."*



The Preeminent Jesus!

The Father's view...

4. His relationship to the church: *Head!*



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16 He is also **head** of the **body**,
the **church**; and He is the
arche **beginning**, the **firstborn** from
the dead, so that He Himself will
come to have **first place** in
everything. **protos**

COLOSSIANS 1:16

The **Head** of the **Body**

I **saw** one like a son of man, clothed in a robe reaching to the feet, and girded across His chest with a golden sash. **14** His head and His hair were white like white wool, like snow ; and His eyes were like a flame of fire. **15** His feet were like burnished bronze, when it has been made to glow in a furnace, and His voice was like the sound of many waters. **16** In His right hand He held seven stars, and out of His mouth came a sharp two-edged sword; and His face was like the sun shining in its strength.

17 When I saw Him, I fell at His feet like a dead man.

JESUS IS LORD

whether you believe it or not.

"Where do I fit in?"



My Completeness in Christ



I. My Relationship to **Satan: *delivered!***



- Delivered from domain of darkness
- Transferred into Christ's kingdom
- Redeemed & Forgiven

My Completeness in Christ



I. My Relationship to **Satan:** *delivered!*

2. My Relationship to **God:** *Reconciled*

A. Formerly **alienated** and hostile, 1:21

B. **Peace** through His blood, v20

C. **Reconciled:** Made “friends again”, v22

My Completeness in Christ

- I. My Relationship to **Satan**: *delivered!*
2. My Relationship to **God**: *Reconciled*
3. My Relationship to the **World**:
 - A. “called out”
 - B. **Dead**, 3:4



My Completeness in Christ

- I.** My Relationship to **Satan:** *delivered!*
- 2.** My Relationship to **God:** *reconciled*
- 3.** My Relationship to the **World:** *dead!*

4. My Relationship to the Church:

- A. His body**
- B. His bride**
- C. Holy and blameless**





“As you therefore have
received Christ Jesus the
Lord, so **walk** in Him”

“For in Him all the fulness of
Deity dwells in bodily form,
and in Him you have been
made **complete**”

Colossians 2:6,9,10

The background of the slide features a serene sunset scene. A large, dark tree stands on a grassy hill under a sky with streaks of orange, yellow, and blue. In the foreground, an open Bible with a red cover is visible, with a red ribbon bookmark. The text is overlaid on this image.

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