Christ|God Visible #3 Pastor Rick Baker

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**JESUS**, Son of the Father’s Love,

Creator Redeemer King of the Cosmos

Col. 1:15-20

*The contrast of royal burials couldn’t be starker!*

*“I will also make him my* ***firstborn****, the highest of the kings of the earth.”* (Ps. 89:27)

*Echoes of OT prophetic descriptions about the centre of attention in the new churches—JESUS*

1. **THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** (bekor) *of all creation* (1:15-17)

* THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *of the invisible God*

Jesus the Christ is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the invisible God

* THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *of everything—nothing poses any real threat to you*

Creation is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_of Jesus the Christ and is entirely \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Him

*“in Him, by Him, for Him”—*

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*before all things*
* THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *keeping creation \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_—if...he can hold you and your world together, sustain you*

1. **THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** (prototokos) *from among the dead* (1:18-20)

From out of His creation Jesus the Christ is presently building a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *of the church—*
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_—*over the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_;*

* THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ OF GOD *dwells in Him—in Christ the full \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God is able to be seen.*

*The purpose of creation including fallenness was to put the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_of God on display—*

* THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*of all things, willingly or forcefully—before creation*

The Church is His \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ work *through the blood of His cross.*

*Christ alone is God’s plan of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a creation alienated from its Creator.*

There is no way to interpret life or meaning or purpose if you bypass \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Have YOU received peace with God through the forgiveness of your sins by trusting in Jesus Christ as YOUR Lord and Saviour?