

**BECAUSE JESUS IS GOD:
FIVE TRUTHS YOU CAN LIVE**

Colossians 1:15-23

1. BE CONFIDENT. HE IS STRONGER THAN ANY SPIRITUAL FORCE.

“He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him.” (1:15-16)

2. BE CALM. HE CAN HOLD YOUR LIFE TOGETHER.

“He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.” (1:17)

3. BE IN COMMUNITY. HE IS THE EXPLANATION OF THE POWER OF CHURCH.

“And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.” (1:18-20)

4. BE CLOSE TO GOD. HE’S DONE EVERYTHING NEEDED FOR YOU TO BE.

“Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. But now he has reconciled you by Christ’s physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation—” (1:21-22)

5. BE CONSTANT. BECAUSE OF WHAT HE’S DONE, YOU CAN BE WHO YOU’VE ALWAYS WANTED TO BE.

“—if you continue in your faith, established and firm, not moved from the hope held out in the gospel.” (1:23)