

# The Greatest Commitment At Christmas Time

Part 2

Colossians 1:15-18

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- Why should every believer make this commitment to exalt Christ?

**First, because of who Christ is.**

**Second, because of what Christ has done.**

- There are two accomplishments that no other human being could ever do. Only the Christ could. What are they?
  1. **Christ made \_\_\_\_\_ through the blood of His cross. vs. 20**
- When Christ created all things, they were very good, but when Satan and mankind fell into sin, “*all things*” were defiled and corrupted.
  - Creation was \_\_\_\_\_ – Genesis 1 (Past).
  - Creation is now \_\_\_\_\_ (under the bondage and curse of sin) – Romans 8:22 (Present).
  - Creation will one day be full of God’s \_\_\_\_\_ (in freedom from the presence of sin) – Revelation 21-22; Romans 8:21 (Future). It will do what it was intended to do.

- In order for the "*things*" in heaven and earth to glorify Jesus Christ, a \_\_\_\_\_ of reconciliation had to be designed and implemented.
- This is why Christ's work on the cross was absolutely essential.
- *"Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he (Christ) also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil."* **Hebrews 2:14**
- Sin had to be fully paid for before \_\_\_\_\_ and reconciliation could be possible.

## 2. Christ rose from the \_\_\_\_\_. vs. 18

- Christ was raised from the dead, \_\_\_\_\_ to die again. He conquered it with finality!
- *"Wherefore he (Christ) is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them."* **Hebrews 7:25**

*"For it pleased the Father that in him (Christ) should all fulness dwell."* **Colossians 1:19**

Everything finds its \_\_\_\_\_ and completion in Christ.

This Christmas season, let's make a commitment to \_\_\_\_\_ Christ above all else.



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