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Christ The Creator

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INT: John 1:3

Colossians known for their:
Faith. v. 4.
Hope. v. 5.
Fruit. v. 6.
Truth. v. 6.
Love. v. 8.

Paul prayed for them without ceasing
1. They filled with Knowledge, Wisdom, Spiritual Understanding, Every Good Work.
2. Walk worthy of the Lord. (Live right).
3. Increase: in Knowledge and Strength in patience, longsuffering & joyfulness.
4. THEY give thanks: for Inheritance (sal), Deliverance from Sin, Translation into God's kingdom (church), Redemption thru His Blood.

FIRST LESSON!

SECOND LESSON IN COLOSSIANS: 15-23.

CHRIST IS THE CREATOR, SUSTAINER and HEAD OF ALL THINGS TO THE CHRISTIAN.

A. Jesus was the LITERAL (active) CREATOR.
   a. Col. 1:15-17. BEFORE all!!
      III. Saner Ave. class: "Jesus didn't exist till Bethlehem!" Ignorance!!
      Trinity: Father, Son, and Spirit.
      Ephesians 3:9.
      *Truths for our Learning:
         a. Jesus is Eternal like the Father-HS.
         b. He has always existed like Father-HS
         c. The Active-Agent FOR the Father in the creation of this universe.
         d. v. 15. On earth He was the Visible-Likeness of the Father, OR the Spirit of God working in the Flesh! Emmanuel. Matt. 1:23. (Isa. 7:14.)

B. Jesus is still the SUSTAINER of the world
   a. V. 17. He is BEFORE all things=ETERNAL
      b. "by Him all things consist." GREEK: To stand. To stand together.
      TRANSLATIONS: all things Hold-Together "all things UNITE in Him."
      "all coheres in Him."
      Unity! "one harmonious whole thru Him."
COMMENTATORS: "Universe is brought together in J,F.&B. one system and maintained in its present State by Jesus." He holds things together!!

MATTHEW HENRY: "The whole creation is KEPT together by the power of the Son of God, and made to consist (to stand together) in its proper frame."

NOTE: God is still RUNNING this WORLD thru Jesus. Good will win! Right will prevail. (Time & patience are involved.) Rev. Rev. 19

C. Jesus is the HEAD of the Church--God's Kingdom SUNFLOWER on earth. V. 18-20. SELL. Alfred Lord Tennyson KNIGHT 3:77. He is First and Forever the GUIDE of God's Kingdom on earth!!!! To end of world. M28:20


III. Hold up Obituary column of Sunday paper. Record of 16 people who are BEYOND doing anything about their soul salvation! If saved-saved! If lost-lost forever!!!!

YOU have an advantage over these people:
1. If lost in sin, can come to Jesus-saved.
2. If out-of-duty-Christian-come home-saved

Why not exercise your OPPORTUNITY to get right with God--right now--this morning!!!!