**The Supremacy of Jesus!**

**Luke 4:31-44**

In **Colossians 1:15-17** “He [JESUS] 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**. He is before all things and **in him all things hold together**.”

* Whenever God manifests himself in the flesh it is always through the 2nd Person of the Trinity—the Son!
* Jesus was NOT created. The designation ‘firstborn’ simply means that He is the Pre-eminent One—the Supreme Ruler over all that is visible and invisible.
* Jesus, as the Son, is The Creator!

**Hebrews 1:2-3** “But in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe. The Son is the radiance of God’s glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his **powerful word**.”

* Jesus, as the Son, is both tri-equal and tri-eternal with the Father and the Spirit.

**THE TRINITY:**

* The ONENESS of God is found in **Deuteronomy 6:4**: “Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.”
* The TRINITARIAN GOD evidenced in Scripture:

**John 1:1** and **14** “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning…The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.”

* Who is the word? Jesus, the Son, who was sent by the Father in flesh to dwell among us. He was in the beginning, and He is God.

**Genesis 1:1-2** “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.”

* In the beginning, we see the TRINITY: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

**WHO IS JESUS?**

Who does the Father say He is?

**Hebrews 1:8** “Of the Son he says, “Your throne, **O God**, is for ever and ever, and the righteous scepter is the scepter of your kingdom.”

1. **Peter 1:16** “We did not follow cleverly invented stories when we told you about the **power** and coming of our **Lord Jesus Christ**, but we were eyewitnesses of His **majesty**.”

* Jesus is **the Supreme God of the Universe**.
* The word, supreme, means, highest, greatest, preeminent, transcendent, unparalleled, unmatchable, and unsurpassing.

**THE SUPREMACY OF CHRIST:**

1. The **supremacy** of His **Authority**! Verses 31-32
2. The **supremacy** of His **Power**! Verses 33-37
3. The **supremacy** of His **Love**! Verses 38-41
4. The **supremacy** of His **Purpose**! Verses 42-44