Yeshua HaMashiach’s Preeminence: How is Jesus God?

Scripture

- **Colossians 1: 13-17**

  For He rescued us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.

- **John 1:1-4**

  In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father

Other Scriptures

- John 16:12
- John 14:1
- John 1:1-4
- John 1:14
- Galatians 4:4
- Isaiah 45:5
- Ephesians 6:12

Main Points

- God is beyond our capacity to contain.
- Behind everything natural is the supernatural.
- We’re called not to worship creation, but to worship the God that’s behind the creation.
- Jesus is bigger than you and I know.
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Discussion Questions

1. Why did Rabbi say it is important to think beyond the Jesus images you see today--of Him on the cross, or of Him in a painting? How does a limited view, limit our ability to relate to Him spirituality?

2. Conversely, reconnecting with the vastness, limitless deity of Jesus will help us. How so?

3. What does it mean that “He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation”? How does knowing this help us stay away from errors in thinking about the deity of Jesus?

4. What can we learn about what God our Father is like, through Jesus, the Son of God?