



## THE FIRST IN EVERYTHING

### Read Colossians 1:13-20 (NLT)

1. In **verse 13**, how many kingdoms are there? What are they called? What do you think “transferred” means in this verse? Who is doing the rescuing?

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2. What did the Son do with our sin (**verse 14**)? Can you live in freedom and sin at the same time? Why or why not?

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**...he is the first in  
everything.**

3. (**Verse 15**) Why do you think it is important that Christ is visible? What does this say about the Trinity?

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What big event did Christ exist before? What position does Christ have relating to creation?

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4. At the beginning of **verse 16**, it reads, “through him” Who is “him?” Who is everything for?

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5. Look at **verse 17** again. Think about the following statement with this verse in mind. “Christ is the center.” Is this fair to say? Why or why not? What does he hold together?

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6. Meditate on **verse 18**. Who is the head of the church? Who is the body? Christ is the beginning of all who what?

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7. In **verse 19**, what pleased God? What do you think the phrase “all his fulness” means?

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8. What benefits did Christ’s blood produce? (**Verse 20**)

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*<sup>13</sup> For he has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son, <sup>14</sup> who purchased our freedom<sup>[d]</sup> and forgave our sins.<sup>15</sup> Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation,<sup>16</sup> for through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can’t see—such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him.<sup>17</sup> He existed before anything else, and he holds all creation together.<sup>18</sup> Christ is also the head of the church, which is his body. He is the beginning, supreme over all who rise from the dead.<sup>[d]</sup> So **he is first in everything**.<sup>19</sup> For God in all his fullness was pleased to live in Christ,<sup>20</sup> and through him God reconciled everything to himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ’s blood on the cross.*

*One day a couple of men came to my door to tell me about their faith. I had come back from a missionary trip. I was very energized by the trip still. They were about to begin when I told them I didn’t believe their doctrine. They asked me why? I said, “Because Jesus Christ is my whole life.” He really is first! – Fabian L.*

