



CHRIST
above all



CHRIST ABOVE ALL:
HIS SUPREME WORTH

COLOSSIANS 1:15-18



Outline:

- **Preeminent Over the Creation (15-17)**
- **Preeminent Over the Church (18a)**
- **Preeminent Over the Consummation (18b)**



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Colossians 1:15-16

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Colossians 1:17-18

17 And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. **18** And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.



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Who is Jesus?

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- Psalm 89:27; 1 Samuel 17:14; Jeremiah 31:9.



Abraham Kuyper

“There is not a square inch in the whole domain of our human existence over which Christ, who is Sovereign over all, does not cry: ‘Mine!’”

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- Romans 10:9; Hebrews 1:2; Revelation 5:1-5.

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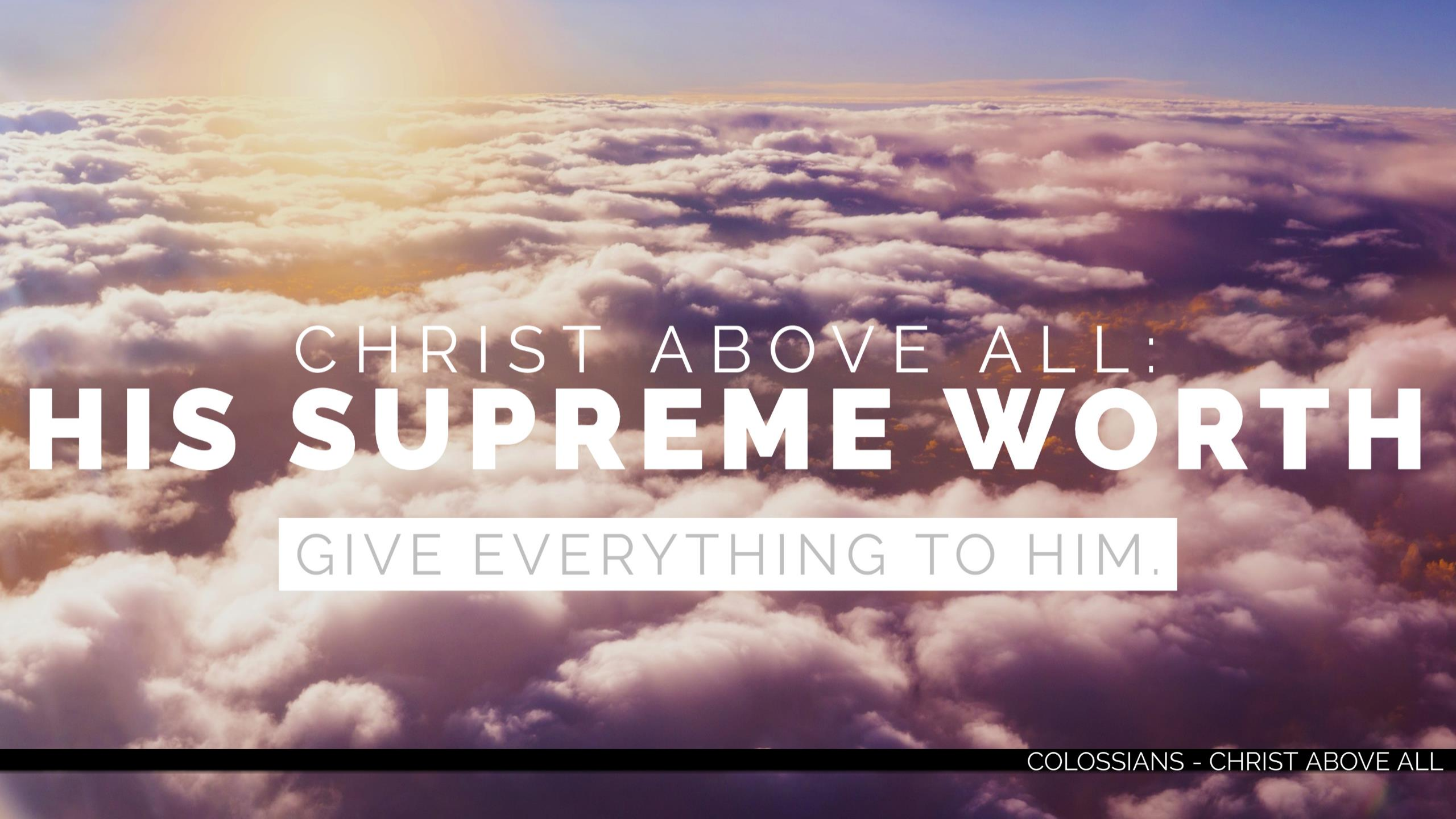
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- Ephesians 1:21; Colossians 2:18; Philippians 2:10; Colossians 3:12; Romans 13:1.

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- Revelation 5:13; John 6:29; Psalm 19:1; Isaiah 6:3; Colossians 2:17.



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GIVE EVERYTHING TO HIM.