

## “WORD OF LIFE”

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### IN HIS DEATH

#### 15 - As the **Firstborn of All Creation** Terminating the Old Creation

##### ✚ GOD BREATHED (2 Tim 3:16):

- Col. 1:15 - “Who is the image of the invisible God, **the Firstborn of all creation**,”
- Col. 1:16 - “Because **in Him all things were created**, in the heavens and on the earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or lordships or rulers or authorities; all things have been created **through Him and unto Him**.”
- Col. 1:17 - “And **He is before all things**, and all things cohere in Him;”
- Col. 1:20 - “And through Him to **reconcile all things to Himself**, having made peace **through the blood of His cross**—through Him, whether the things on the earth or the things in the heavens.”
- Heb. 2:9 - “But we see **Jesus**, who was made a little inferior to the angels because of the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor, so that by the grace of God He **might taste death on behalf of everything**.”
- Rev. 13:8 - “And all those dwelling on the earth will worship him, everyone whose name is not written in the book of life of the Lamb who was **slain from the foundation of the world**.”
- John 1:3 - “**All things came into being through Him**, and apart from Him not one thing came into being which has come into being.”

##### ✚ THE EXCELLENCY OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF CHRIST (Phil. 3:8):

- **Christ is the Firstborn of all creation.** (Colossians 1:15)
- With respect to His **humanity**, Christ was the **first item** of God’s creation.
  - When He died on the cross, He died as **this first item** of the old creation.
  - In His death on the cross the Lord Jesus **terminated** the old creation, dying as the Firstborn of all creation.
  - Hence, through His death on the cross the **entire old creation** was terminated.
- **The redemption accomplished by Christ is not only for man but also for creation.**
- Through Christ’s redemption all the created things in heaven and on earth were reconciled to God (v. 20).
  - Christ tasted death not only on behalf of every man but also on behalf of everything (Hebrews 2:9)
  - Christ’s redemption is for all things.

##### ✚ SPEAK TO THE PEOPLE ALL THE WORDS OF THIS LIFE (Act 5:20):

- ❖ Christ as a man (“*was made a little inferior to the angels... taste death on behalf of everything*”) is also the Firstborn of all creation. As the first item of all the creatures, He accomplished redemption for all the creatures.
- ✚ It was necessary for Him to be a man to accomplish **redemption for man**,
  - ✚ It was necessary for Him to be a creature to make a **redemption for all the creatures**.
  - ✚ It was necessary for our Redeemer to be the first item of all creation in order for Him to **redeem all creation**.