

The New Me . . . In Christ
My New Understanding - Colossians 1:15-23 – p. 983

To live out the reality of the “New Me,” we must understand who Jesus is, what Jesus has done, and how it applies to me.

Who Jesus Is (1:15-17)

The Image of God

The Firstborn of Creation

- By Him
- Through Him
- For Him
- Before all things
- In Him all things hold together

What Jesus Has Done (1:18-20)

The Firstborn from the Dead

- Head of the Body

- Preeminent in Everything

Reconciled and Made Peace

How He Makes Me New (1:21-24)

Once: Alienated and hostile, doing evil deeds

Now: Reconciled, presented as holy, blameless, above reproach

How: Continue in the faith, stable and steadfast

Next week – *My New Faith* (1:24-2:7)

Paul toiled and struggled for their faith. Who has contributed to your faith journey that you thank God for?