

QFMC 5 Day Devotional

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Day 1: Jesus Is the Visible Image of the Invisible God

When we look to Jesus, we see not just a wise teacher or a distant figure, but the very image of the invisible God—God made known and present among us. This truth reshapes our understanding of who God is, moving us beyond old images or distant concepts to a living Savior who is close, personal, and fully reveals the heart and character of God. Jesus is not a mere reflection or a partial glimpse; He is the fullness of God in human form, Emmanuel, God with us, inviting us to know and experience God intimately.

Colossians 1:15-17 (ESV)

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Reflection: When you picture God, what image comes to mind, and how might focusing on Jesus as the visible image of the invisible God change the way you relate to Him today?

Day 2: Jesus Holds All Things Together

In a world where life often feels chaotic and overwhelming, it is a profound comfort to know that Jesus is the one who truly holds all things together—not just the universe, but every detail of our lives. No matter how scattered or burdened we may feel, we are invited to rest in the assurance that Christ is both supreme over creation and intimately involved in sustaining us. He is not just a part of our story; He is the one who weaves it all together, offering us peace and security that cannot be found anywhere else.

Colossians 1:17 (ESV)

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Reflection: Where in your life do you feel like you are trying to hold everything together on your own, and how can you invite Jesus to be the one who holds it all today?

Day 3: The Supremacy and Sufficiency of Christ

Jesus is not just enough—He is everything. His supremacy means that He is above all creation, and His sufficiency means that nothing else is needed for our reconciliation with God. We are often tempted to supplement our faith with self-help, achievements, or other sources of security, but the truth is that only Jesus can truly satisfy and save. We are called to build our lives on Him alone, trusting that He is both able and willing to meet every need, and to resist the urge to look elsewhere for what only He can provide.

Colossians 1:18-20 (ESV)

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. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Reflection: What is one area where you have been tempted to build your life on something smaller than Jesus, and what would it look like to trust in His sufficiency right now?

Day 4: Our New Identity: Holy, Blameless, Without a Single Fault

Because of Christ's reconciling work, we are no longer defined by our failures, shame, or distance from God. Instead, we are invited to stand before God as holy, blameless, and without a single fault—not by our own effort, but by the gift of grace through Jesus. This new identity is not something we achieve, but something we receive as we surrender our pride and step forward in faith, trusting that what Jesus has done is enough for us, right now, in the present.

Colossians 1:21-22 (ESV)

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him.

Reflection: What part of your past or present makes it hard for you to believe you are holy and blameless before God, and how can you surrender that to Christ today?

Day 5: Stand Firm in the Truth of the Gospel

The invitation is to continue believing and standing firmly in the truth of the gospel, even when life pulls us in many directions or when doubts arise. We are reminded not to drift away or build our lives on anything smaller than Jesus, but to keep returning to the foundation that He alone is Lord of all. This steadfastness is not passive; it is an active, daily choice to trust in Christ's supremacy and sufficiency, allowing His peace to guard our hearts and shape our lives.

Colossians 1:23 (ESV)

If indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

Reflection: What practical step can you take today to stand firmly in the truth of the gospel, especially in an area where you are tempted to drift or doubt?