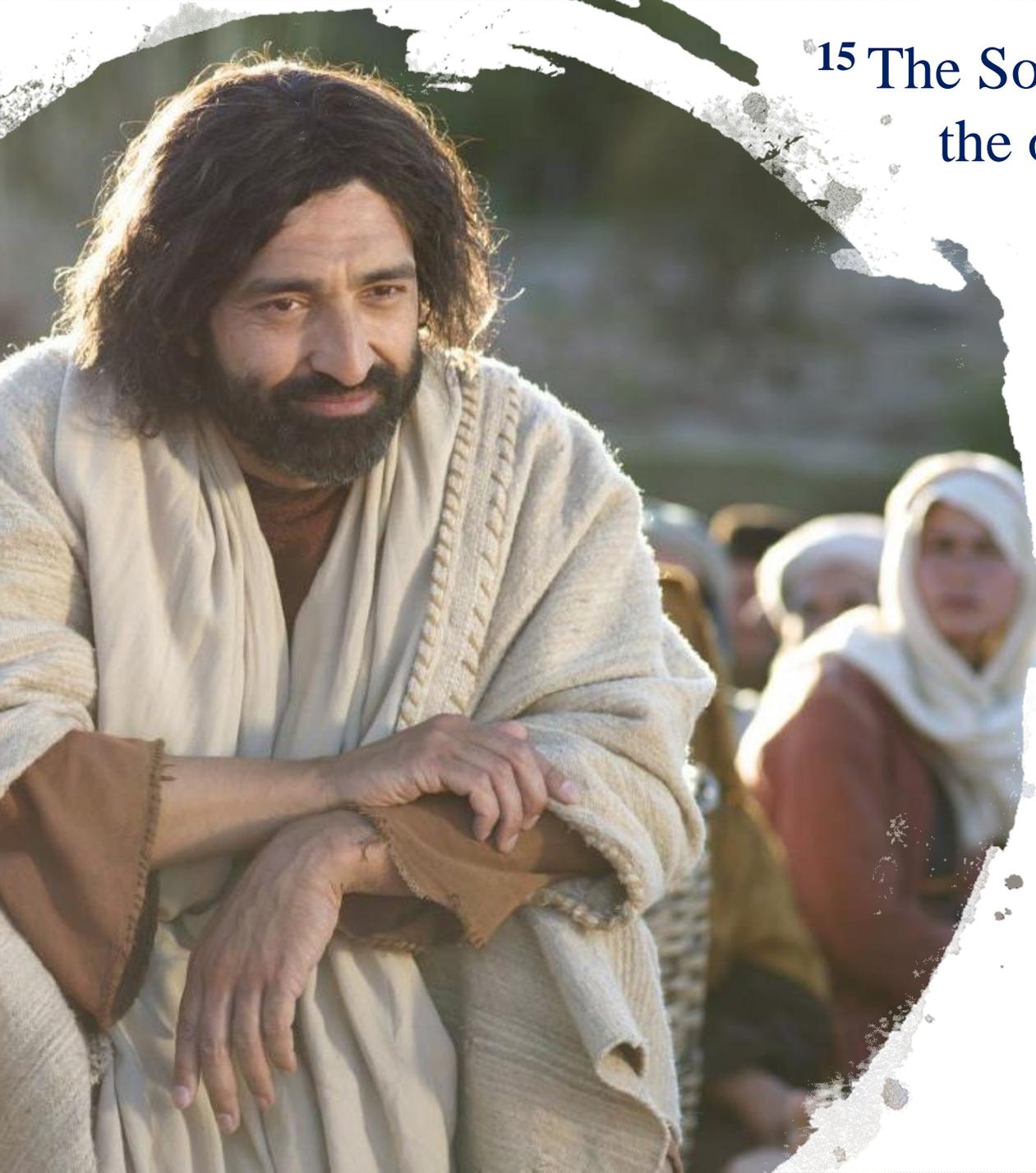


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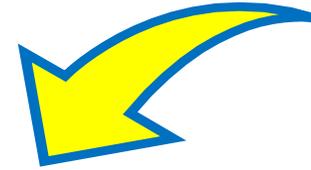
**Colossians 1:15-20**

**“The Almighty God”**

**Reality  
with a  
Personality!**



<sup>15</sup> The Son is the image of the invisible God,  
the one who is first over all creation,



**Stay  
Focused!**

**Jesus** is **God** in Person.

**Jesus** is displaying Personality of **God**.

**Jesus/God** are one in the same.

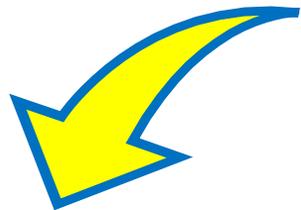
**Jesus/God**: This is how **God** interacts  
with people.

**Jesus** is the eyes, ears, & voice of **God**.

**Jesus** is what **God** wants to look like in us.

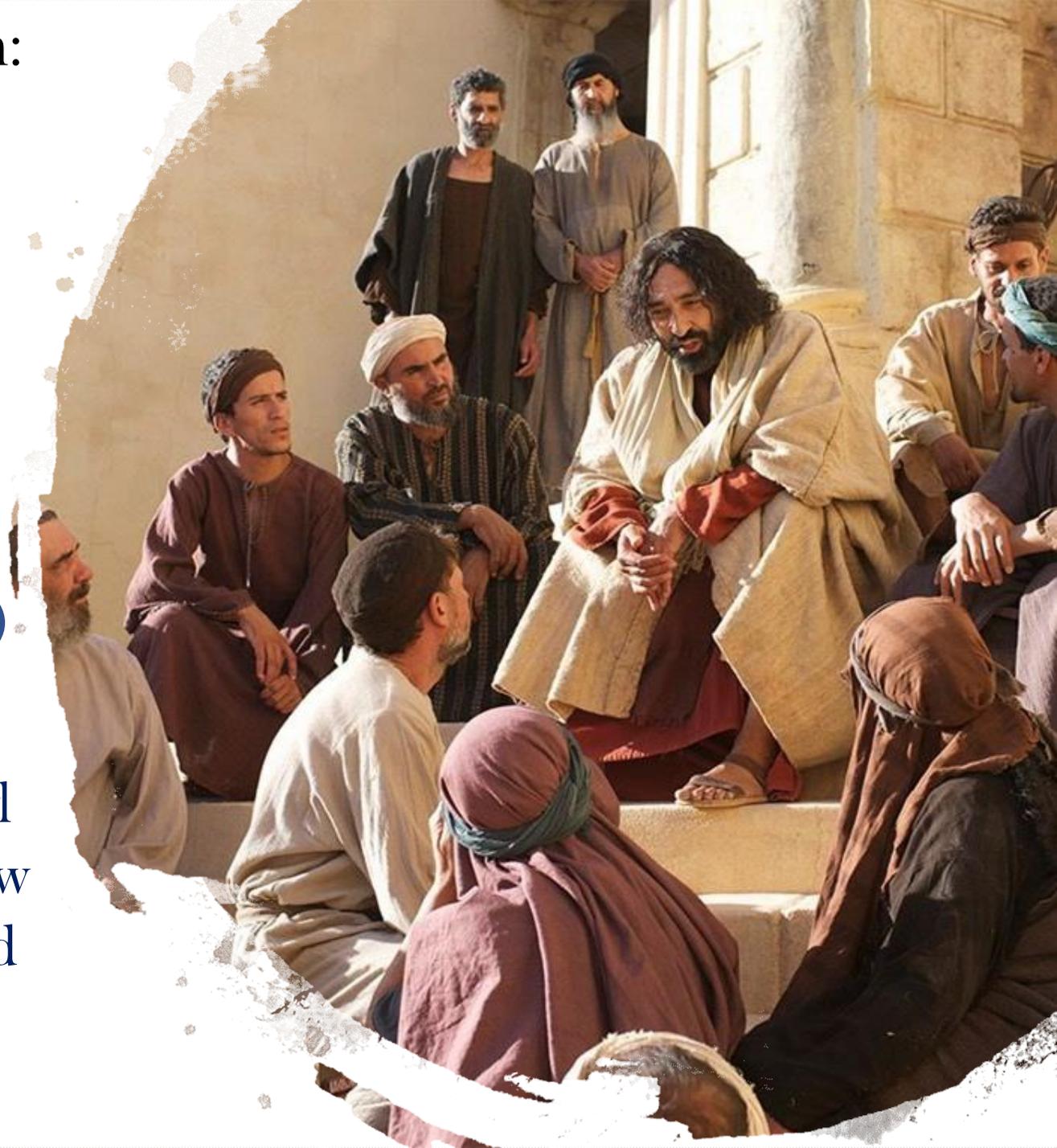
<sup>16</sup> Because all things were created by him:  
both in the heavens and on the earth,  
the things that are visible  
and the things that are invisible.

Whether they are thrones or powers,  
or rulers or authorities,  
all things were created through him  
and for him.



**Understand!**

**Jesus is the Personality** that created all things. We must understand and know this **Personality** in order to understand the old and new Testaments.



<sup>17</sup> He existed before all things,  
and all things are held together in him.  
<sup>18</sup> He is the head of the body, the church,  
who is the beginning,  
the one who is firstborn from among the dead  
so that he might occupy the first place in everything.

## The Bottom Line



The “*Shalom*”, the **Personality of God/Jesus** is glue that joins all people  
The **Personality of God in Christ** takes the lead in all decisions.  
The **Personality found in Jesus** is the draw for all people to gather.  
The **Personality of Jesus/God** asks us to forgive others for being poor, angry,  
hopeless, outcast and not like us.

# The Personality of God is the Head of the Church

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Jews & Gentiles:

Multi-Racial  
Multi-Cultural  
Multi-Opinionated  
Multi-Plying  
Multi-Lingual  
Multi-Economic

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The early church found gathering  
was more important than agreeing,  
being alike, or of the same race.





*This we*  
**PROCLAIM**

<sup>19</sup> Because all the fullness of God was pleased to live in him,  
<sup>20</sup> and he reconciled all things to himself through him—whether things on earth or in the heavens. He brought peace through the blood of his cross.

*If it's not true for the single mother in Haiti, it not true for us.*

*—Jen Hatmaker*

**Become this!**

**Jesus/God in Person**, from birth to Resurrection, restored a connection, between all Peoples.

**Jesus/God as one of us**, expressed a reality that all of creation is a part of a whole.

**God/Jesus the Christ**, went to the least to show the most that we are only as Holy as our view/opinion of the “all things”.