

*“For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things” Col. 3:19, 20a*  
*“The dragon gave the beast his power and his throne and great authority.” Rev. 13:2b*

A. The foundational doctrine of our faith is the deity of Christ! (Heb. 12:2; Eph. 2:20; Acts 20:28; Rom. 14:7-9)

Christ = “Chrestos” = The anointed one, The Messiah, The Savior of the world

- i. The image of the invisible God (vs. 15)
- ii. Firstborn of all creation (vs. 15)
- iii. Created and controls all things (16, 17)
- iv. Head of the church and supreme over all (18)

v. Fully God and fully reconciled with full peace through him (19 – 20)

### A. The Fall of Satan and the angels

- i. Pride led him to sin and get cast out of heaven (Ezek. 28:12-17)
- ii. His desire to ascend to the throne of God (Isa. 14:12 – 15)
- iii. Satan the “Dragon” took 1/3 of the “stars” out of the sky (Rev. 12:3,4,9)

### B. Establishes his False trinity – Satan, The Antichrist, and the False Prophet

### A. The Antichrist is a human – empowered by Satan (Rev. 13:2)

- i. his power (dynamis = ability to do things – special powers)
- ii. his throne (thronos = position of respect)
- iii. his authority (exousia = right to rule)

B. Fake resurrection leads to the whole earth being “amazed” (thaumazo = awed)

C. Men worship the beast and the dragon (4, 8a) (2 Thess. 2:4)

#### D. The Antichrist works to blaspheme God and war with the saints (vs. 5 – 7)

### E. The True Christ wins! – The exception! (vs. 8b, 9)

- i. Name in the Book of life
- ii. Belonging to the Lamb that was slain