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2011 Theme

Colossians 1:10



**“Increasing in the  
knowledge of God”**



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**A Study of the Book of Colossians**

# ***“The Savior is Sufficient & Supreme”***

- **Greetings: (1:1-2)**
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- **Acts 7:54-58**
- **54 Now when they heard this, they were cut to the quick, and they began gnashing their teeth at him. 55 But being full of the Holy Spirit, he gazed intently into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God; 56 and he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened up and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." 57 But they cried out with a loud voice, and covered their ears and rushed at him with one impulse. 58 When they had driven him out of the city, they began stoning him; and the witnesses laid aside their robes at the feet of a young man named Saul. NASU**







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- **Ps 17:8-9**
- **8 Keep me as the apple of the eye; Hide me in the shadow of Your wings**
- **9 From the wicked who despoil me, My deadly enemies who surround me.**
  
- **Ps 27:5**
- **5 For in the day of trouble He will conceal me in His tabernacle; In the secret place of His tent He will hide me; He will lift me up on a rock. NASU**



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**Colossians 3:5-7**

**5 Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry. 6 For it is because of these things that the wrath of God will come upon the sons of disobedience, 7 and in them you also once walked, when you were living in them. NASU**



- **1 Cor 6:9-11**

- **9 Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, 10 nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God. 11 Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God. NASU**



- **Gal 5:19-22**

- **19 Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality, 20 idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions, 21 envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. NASU**

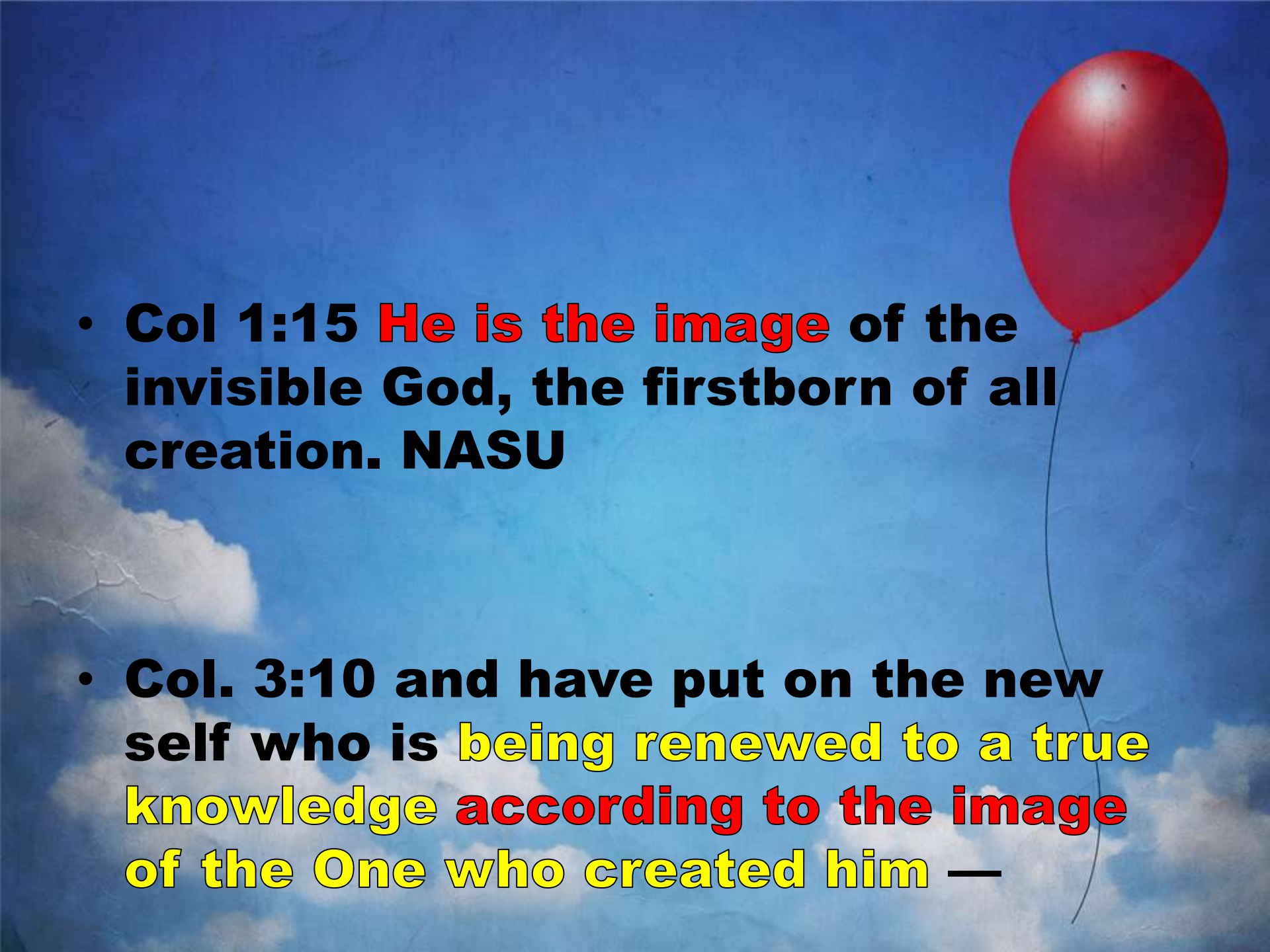


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• **Col 1:15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. NASU**

• **Col. 3:10 and have put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created him —**






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- **LOOK UP: Focus on Christ**
- **LET GO: Act as if your body is dead to evil and unable to commit sin.**
- **LAY ASIDE: Take off evil, put on Good.**
  - **Look Like Jesus.**
  - **WE WILL BE WHAT WE SEE**



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