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#### Walk with Christ Series

# **Christ the Center**

**Colossians 1:15-20** 

15 The **Son** is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For in **him** all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through **him** and for **him**. 17 **He** is before all things, and in **him** all things hold together. 18 And **he** is the head of the body, the church; **he** is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything **he** might have the supremacy. 19 For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in **him**, 20 and through **him** to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through **his** blood, shed on the cross.

### 3 Responses to Changes around us...

- Pause
- Plow
- Pivot

**Pivot Definition**: Fixed point around which something revolves.

# **The Power of Christ the Center**

### 1. Source of Everything

John 1:1; Hebrews 1:3, 8, 13:8; Colossians 1:15

Colossians 2:9 Fullness of deity exists in bodily form.

Hebrews 4:15; John 14:6 – Christ is the way, the truth, the life.

### For you:

- Christ *in you* (Col. 1:27)

Participate in the divine nature (1 Peter 1:3-4)

- Restored us in His Image (Col 3:10)
  - Transform us to be like Him (Phil 3:21; 1 Jn 3:23,

## 2. Creativity (within boundaries)

But the fruit of the Spirit is

Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-Control.

Against such things there no law.

Galatians 5:22-23

The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.

Mark 2:27

## 3. Unchanging Meaning and Security

**Christ the Center** is unaffected by technology, trends, financial markets, friendships, Health, Mind.

Q. What happens when we can no longer do what we used to do the way we used to do them?

A. Christ the Center.

