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In what way does the teaching of St Paul influence the understanding of who Jesus is?

“…all things were created by Him and for Him…” How does this teaching impact the “things” / possessions that we may regard our own?

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**God’s Son : through whom the Father speaks *Read Hebrews 1 : 1 – 2***

In what ways have you sensed God the Father speaking to you through Jesus the Son?

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Share together any experiences of the radiance of God in the people you may have met.

What impact did such an experience have on you?

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***Read Matthew 1 : 20 – 21 and John 3 : 5***

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