

## Lesson 22: The Lordship of Christ

In order to be a Christian we must believe, confess, accept, receive and hold to the LORD Jesus Christ.

The word LORD means master, supreme ruler, all powerful king, the ultimate authority, the final answer.

The Bible says that Jesus is LORD of creation (Col. 1:16-17); Lord of the living and the dead (Col. 1:18); Lord of all Christians, His Church (Rom. 14:9); and Lord of the whole universe (Phil 2:9-11).

*Philippians 2:9-11*

How has God exalted Jesus Christ? \_\_\_\_\_

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How will every person exalt Him? \_\_\_\_\_

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CHRIST MUST HAVE THE SAME PLACE IN A CHRISTIAN'S HEART THAT HE HAS IN THE UNIVERSE.

How do angels in heaven show that Jesus is Lord? \_\_\_\_\_

CHRIST MUST HAVE THE SAME PLACE IN OUR HEARTS AS HE HAS IN HEAVEN. HE IS LORD.

*Colossians 1:18*

What place must Christ hold in our lives if He is truly our LORD? \_\_\_\_\_

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Why does Christ deserve this place? \_\_\_\_\_

For so many people who call themselves Christians, Christ is not supreme.

When it comes to a choice of what Christ wants and what they want, who is often Lord? \_\_\_\_\_

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There are many reasons why people refuse to let Jesus be the Lord of their lives. See if any of these reasons apply to you:

- \_\_\_ Jesus doesn't really understand my problems or situation.
- \_\_\_ He may want me to do something I can't do.
- \_\_\_ He may want me to do something I might not enjoy doing.
- \_\_\_ He will take away something I enjoy doing.
- \_\_\_ He may not take care of me the way I can take care of me.
- \_\_\_ He may take away some possession or friend or something.
- \_\_\_ He can't really guide me in the way that is best.
- \_\_\_ He may punish me if I mess up.

Are there any other reasons why people refuse to let Christ be Lord of every area of their lives?

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*Jeremiah 29:11*

What does Jesus (God) promise us here? \_\_\_\_\_

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Can God lead us into His good plans for us if Christ is not Lord of our lives? \_\_\_\_\_

What proof do you have that He can and will bring us into the best possible life for us if He is our Lord?

	ME	JESUS
Who knows perfectly what is best for my life?	_____	_____
Who is most able to do what is best for my life?	_____	_____
Who desires at all times what is truly best for my life?	_____	_____

Is there any good reason why you or anyone does not make Jesus the LORD (Master, King, Supreme Ruler)? \_\_\_\_\_

Good intentions to make Christ Lord of our lives will never lead us into God's beautiful plan for us. He must BE the supreme Lord of our lives. We must deny ourselves the right to be Lord of our lives and submit to Christ's Lordship.

A Christian under the Lordship of Jesus Christ walks with the Lord, submitting to Him

hour by hour and obeying Him in the daily affairs of life.

Whenever you assume control of your life or a part of your life, you will soon become unhappy and anxious. Think of Peter walking on the water to meet Jesus. When he kept his eyes on Jesus and trusted His power, what could he do? \_\_\_\_\_ When he took his eyes off of Jesus and began to trust himself, what happened? \_\_\_\_\_

*Mark 4:18-19*

What happens if we do not give all our cares and worries to Christ? \_\_\_\_\_  
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If we have worries or anxieties about something, what is this a sure sign of? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Being a disciple of Christ means that He alone is LORD. The final word about being a disciple is found in Luke 9:23-24.

In your own words, what are three things you must do if you want Christ to be the Lord of your life?

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_

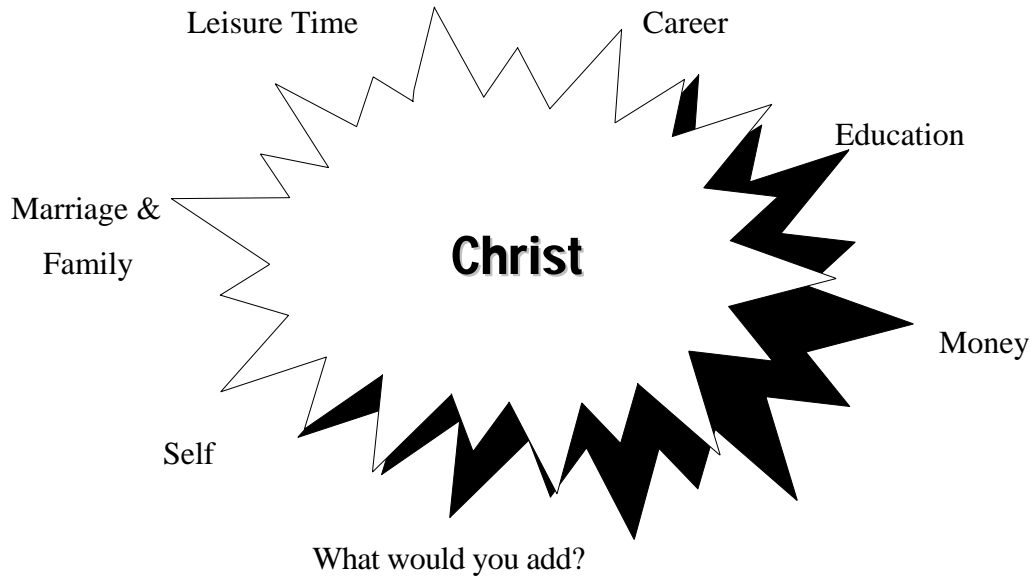
What does it mean to:

- 1) Loose your life? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Save your life? \_\_\_\_\_

*Luke 6:46*

What is a good way to evaluate if Christ is truly Lord of your life? \_\_\_\_\_  
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## HOMEWORK



Take a few moments to evaluate your practice of the Lordship of Jesus Christ in these areas. In each area, ask yourself . . .

- 1) Am I willing to do whatever Christ desires of me in this area?
- 2) Will I be able to thank God for whatever may happen in this area?

If you have discovered some areas of your life which are not submitted to the Lordship of Christ, do it today in prayer. Dedicate yourself to growing under the total Lordship of Christ. Jesus is Lord! Alleluia!