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JESUS  
IS LORD

1 Corinthians 12:3

**Who is in charge of my life?**

# The Lordship of Jesus

- We live in an age where many reject all authority: government, home, school, work, religion, etc.

# The Lordship of Jesus

- Many today speak of Jesus as their “Lord and Savior” without actually submitting to Jesus as their Lord (immoral music artists often thank Jesus during awards shows for being their “Lord and Savior”; athletes invoke his title as well; etc.)
- Others focus on Jesus as “Savior” and not on Jesus as “Lord”; but Jesus is both (Lk. 2:11; Phil. 3:20; 2 Pet. 1:11; 2:20; 3:2, 18); he is “Lord and Christ” (Acts 2:36)

JESUS

is my SAVIOR,  
NOT my RELIGION.

# Two Lordship Principles

First, you have to choose Jesus to be your Lord (1 Cor. 8:5-6; 16:22)

- To the Jews who had the Lord God, this was blasphemous
- To the Gentiles had many lords (sir, master, etc.), this was ludicrous
- To the Romans who had Caesar as Lord (Lk. 22:25; note Rev. 17:14; 19:6; and 1 Pet. 3:15), this was treasonous

# Two Lordship Principles

Second, you cannot simply say Jesus is Lord; you have to do what he says (Mt. 7:21; Lk. 6:46)

- The Lordship of Jesus requires both the confession (calling, recognition) and the profession (doing, obligation)



# The Lordship of Jesus

- “Lord Jesus” is found 115 times in the NT and “Lord Jesus Christ” 81 times (KJV)

# 1. Lordship Demonstrates Deity/Divinity

- Jesus is Lord because he is deity/divinity/God
- Psalm 110:1 (Mt. 22:44; Mk. 12:36; Lk. 20:42-43; Acts 2:34-35; Heb. 1:13; 5:6, 10; 7:17, 21)
- John 20:28
- Phil. 2:6-11
- Heb. 1:9-10

## 2. Lordship Demonstrates Authority

- “Lord” (Gr. *kurios*) means “having power or authority”
  - Government/citizen relationship (Mk. 10:42)
  - Master/servant relationship (Lk. 14:21-23)
  - Husband/wife relationship (1 Pet. 3:6)
  - Jesus Christ/mankind relationship (Rev. 17:14; 19:16)

## 2. Lordship Demonstrates Authority

- Jesus has authority to issue commands (1 Thess. 4:1-2)
- Jesus has authority to require our whole lives (Rom. 14:6-9)
- Jesus has authority as Head over all the church (Eph. 4:5)
- Jesus has authority to judge us (1 Cor. 4:4)
- Jesus has authority over all – Lord of all (Acts 10:36)

## 2. Lordship Demonstrates Obedience

- If we truly accept Jesus' lordship it's more than just words - we must obey him (Mt. 7:21; Lk. 6:46; 9:61)
- If we truly preach Jesus' lordship we must preach obedience to all of his commands (Mt. 28:18-20)
- We do not have a right to change, ignore, or defy the Lord Jesus' words! We do not have a right to turn to man's word for our authority!

# Lordship & Modern Religion

- Are modern preachers really preaching the lordship of Jesus when they say, “Receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior...”?
- Why do so many neglect baptism, the Lord’s supper, etc.?

# Is Jesus Our Lord?

- Can I say “my Lord” (Phil. 3:8)?
- Can we say “our Lord” (Rom. 1:4)?

# Is Jesus Our Lord?

- Let us **be prepared** for his lordship (Lk. 1:16-17)
- Let us **faithfully obey** his lordship (Acts 16:31; 18:8; 20:21; 22:8-16; Rom. 10:9-10; Eph. 1:15)
- Let us **remain true** to his lordship (Acts 11:20-23; 14:23)
- Let us **daily serve** under his lordship (Acts 13:2; 20:19, 35; 21:13-14; Rom. 12:11)
- Let us **stand firm** in his lordship (1 Thess. 3:8)



# Is Jesus Our Lord?

- Let us **put on** his lordship (Rom. 13:14; 1 Pet. 3:15)
- Let us **preach boldly** his lordship (Acts 28:31)
- Let us **never deny** his lordship (Jude 4)