



Getting to Know Jesus Christ

His Lordship

Jesus is many things to many people. To an unbeliever, He may be a curse word. To an agnostic He is an unknown. To an historian He is an influential figure of history. To a nominal Christian he is an identifying tag or label to wear, but little more. To the true Christian He is *Lord*. At least that is the way it is supposed to be. As you study this lesson about the Lordship of Jesus, consider what He is to you.

1. According to the Apostle Peter, we are to sanctify (set apart) Christ as *what* in our hearts? (1 Peter 3:15)

The word “Lord” means “owner, ruler, or master.” Consult an English dictionary and write any additional definition or synonym that helps you understand this term.

2. What gives Jesus the right to be Lord over all things? (Colossians 1:15-17)

3. Did Jesus intend that we relate to Him as our Lord? (John 13:13)

4. What two words are used to describe Jesus in Acts 2:36? What is the distinction between these words?

5. Is Jesus Lord only to Christians? (Acts 10:36) Do people recognize this?

6. There are many rulers. What is Jesus to all of them? (Revelation 19:16)

7. Having seen Jesus' place as Lord, write in your own words what this means to you.

8. What has God the Father done for His Son, Jesus? (Philippians 2:9) What will all men someday do with regard to Jesus? (Philippians 2:10-11)

9. In what way does Colossians 1:18 relate to Christ's lordship?

10. What gives Jesus the right to *own* the church? (Acts 20:28) Why is it wrong for anyone else to claim ownership of the church?

11. A common response to someone's possessiveness is to say something like, "You don't own me!" Another might be, "You can't tell me what to do with my own body!" Would either of these statements be appropriate for a Christian? (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)

12. If Jesus is the Lord (owner, master, ruler) of our lives, what does this make us?

13. Is it enough simply to *call* Jesus Lord? (Matthew 7:21-23) In what way will some who have called him "Lord" be surprised someday? How do we prove that He is really our lord?

14. What can we do in order to accept His lordship in our lives? (Luke 9:23)

15. Why can't there be more than one lord of our lives? (Matthew 6:24)

16. As Stephen was dying for his faith, what did He call Jesus? (Acts 7:59) Having considered the verses in this lesson, why do you think Stephen referred to Jesus this way?

17. Have you decided to make Jesus the lord of your life?

18. Is there anything in your life that has not been submitted to His will as it is revealed in the Bible?