The Godly Man as a Disciple
The Lordship Of Christ

Rim of The Wheel: The Obedient Christian in Action – Part 2

The Bible in its entirety speaks of God and sets forth Jesus Christ as being Lord in the full meaning of that term. Jesus wants to be Lord of every believer’s life, not merely in theory, but in practice. In fact, this is the essence of discipleship – a disciple is a Christian who is totally dedicated to the lordship of Jesus Christ, is willing to die to himself, and is positively committed to live in obedience to scripture. The word Lord means: master, governor, chief, boss, ruler, sovereign. The term lordship indicates: “ownership, absolute control, authority, rule, or dominion.”

The Bible speaks of Jesus Christ as being Lord.

1. What right does Jesus Christ have to be Lord of our lives?

Hebrews 1:1, 2 .................................................................
Acts 2:36 ...........................................................................
John 13:13 ......................................................................
I Corinthians 6:20 ..........................................................
John 15:5 ........................................................................

2. There are certain characteristics present in a life in which Christ is the Lord. Name some of these characteristics found in the following Scriptures:

Luke 9:23 ...........................................................................
Galatians 2:20 ..................................................................
Romans 1:16 ...................................................................
Luke 6:46 ......................................................................
Philippians 3:7, 8 ............................................................
John 8:31 ......................................................................
Galatians 5:22, 23 ..........................................................
John 13:34, 35 .................................................................

3. There are certain practical steps we can take to make Christ the Lord of our lives. Some are listed below. Carefully study each step and then express in your own words what you think it means in a practical way in a person's life.

a. John 12:24, 25 - death to the self life ..................

b. Romans 8:13 and Galatians 5:16, 17. We cannot commit suicide on a cross. The Holy Spirit can mortify (crucify) the flesh (self life). ....................................................

c. We do have a choice. Romans 12:1-2 ..........................

d. The choice is not once for all. Luke 9:23 .........................
4. There are hindrances to Christ's Lordship. Read the verses and list each one next to the hindrance it refers to.

- Malachi 3:8 .................. Priorities
- Romans 4:4-5 .................. Things (clothes, cars, etc.)
- Luke 6:46 .................. Desire to be served
- Luke 14:26 .................. Evil companions
- John 5:44 .................. Pride of ability
- Hebrews 12:15 ................. Family
- II Timothy 1:7 .................. Escapism (alcohol, drugs)
- Matthew 6:33 .................. Seeking man's approval
- Matthew 20:26 ................. Disobedience
- Ecclesiastes 5:10, 11 .......... Pleasure
- James 3:2 .................. Money
- Proverbs 23:7a .................. Sex
- Proverbs 14:30 .................. Lack of trust
- Matthew 7:1 .................. Self-effort
- Romans 12:3 .................. Robbing God
- Mark 4:19 .................. Thought life
- Romans 8:28 .................. Critical Spirit
- Romans 13:12 .................. Bitterness
- I Corinthians 15:33 ................. Tongue
- Ephesians 4:26,27 ................. Resisting authority
- Proverbs 23:29-35 (Living) .......... Envy
- I Corinthians 6:18-20 .......... Anger
- Matthew 5:27, 28 ................. Temper

5. From this list which two hindrances do you feel are the greatest today? .......................... ..........................

Circle the one you feel is your biggest problem at this time.

6. What will you do during this next week to allow God to deal with this area? How will you measure the results? (make it practical, personal and possible).

Suggestions For Further Study
- Tape 1403A - Lordship of Jesus Christ, The, LeRoy Eims
- Tape 2165 - Jesus Is Lord, Gene Warr
- Tape 1206 - Lordship of Jesus Christ, The, S.M. Lockridge
- Tape 684 - Lordship of Jesus Christ, The, Stuart Briscoe

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