

Only One Master

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I. Introduction.

- A. There are different kinds of Christians in the world based upon what they are doing with Jesus daily.
- B. Texts: John 13:13; Luke 6:46; Matthew 6:24.
- C. Life is short. We must choose to invest our lives wisely. (Galatians 6:7)

II. What Lordship means.

- A. Lordship means giving Jesus pre-eminence, surrender, commitment and undivided loyalty.
- B. In very few Christians is Jesus pre-eminent.

III. Why Jesus should be Lord of my life.

- A. Jesus created us. (Colossians 1; John 1:3; Hebrews 1:2)
- B. Jesus redeemed us. (1 Corinthians 6:19-20; Revelation 1:5-6; Ephesians 1:7)
- C. Jesus' own testimony. (John 13:13)
- D. Jesus power. (1 Peter 3:22; Matthew 28:18)
- E. God said he was Lord. (Acts 2:36)
- F. Jesus will have ultimate victory. (Philippians 2:10-11; Ephesians 1:9-10)

IV. What keeps Jesus from being Lord of my life.

- A. A lack of trust. We do not believe he knows what is best for us or that he is in control. (Jeremiah 29:11)
- B. Our surrender is incomplete. (2 Timothy 4:10; 1 John 2:15-16)
- C. Our surrender is insincere. (Acts 5; Ecclesiastes 5:4-5)
- D. Our surrender is inconsistent. (Acts 15; Luke 9:6)

V. Results of choosing the wrong master.

- A. Fellowship with God is broken. (Matthew 6:24)
- B. Power has gone out of the life.
- C. Joy is absent.

- D.. Fear.
- E. A sense of guilt.
- F. A lack of enthusiasm.
- G. A lack of hope.

VI. Results of Jesus' Lordship in our lives.

- A. Unspeakable joy. (Luke 11:36)
- B. Satisfactory servanthood. (Romans 14:4)
- C. A desire to please Jesus.
- D. A bright reality of Christ living in you. (Galatians 2:20)
- E. Daily deliverance. (Romans 5:10)
- F. Fruitfulness. (John 12:24)
- G. Stability. (Isaiah 33:6)
- H. Reflecting Jesus. (Colossians 3:9-10)

VII. Conclusion.

Application questions:

1. What does Jesus' Lordship look like in your current circumstances?

2. What needs to change in your life to reflect Jesus' Lordship?

3. How can you increase accountability for living for Jesus as Lord? Explain.
