

"Where the Road Ends...Ministry Begins"

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Jesus is Lord Part III

Personal Lordship Inventory

Any born again follower of Christ who wants to live under the absolute Lordship of Christ has some daily dying to do. Absolute surrender brings the fullness of the Christ-life in us and thru us. It is essential to give Jesus control of every area of your life. To do this takes thought out prayer and dedication to allow the Holy Spirit to shine His light of truth on the dark places in our soul.

I. Write out and sign a Contract with Christ giving Him absolute right of control. Rom. 12:1, 2 & Gal. 2:20

1. Write out:

There is value in "putting it in writing" like a contract or legal document between you and God.

Writing it down helps you make a deep commitment to His lordship in you.

2. Sign it & date it

"On this date I give absolute control of my life to Jesus Christ, to make Him Lord and Master of me & all that is mine. I give Jesus the rights to all I am & all I own. I further give Him the right to hold me to this contract for the remaining days of my life."

3. Place this contract in a safe & private place where you & He will see it often.

II. Write out a personal inventory of ownership. Matt 16: 24-27

"If Jesus is not Lord of all, He is not Lord at all in my life."

In this inventory you are listing and naming all that has been "yours" and under your authority in order to allow the Holy Spirit to show you areas of self will, disobedience, resistance, and the flesh. You are asking The Spirit to make you willing to lose these things in order to gain Him and live under His lordship."

1. Areas of Willful Disobedience: 2 Chron. 24:20, Titus 1:16

List in writing areas of commission & omission: List the sins you know are sins and continue to do or things God is telling you to do but you refuse to obey. Write them down, pray over them, then repent and ask to be filled with His power & love.

2. List in writing areas of addiction or bondage: 1 Cor. 6:12; 2Cor. 10: 4-6

Sinful addictive behaviors are evidence of a soul in torment and not under Christ's lordship.

3. Do an inventory of your thought life & write down continued impure thoughts. 2 Cor. 10:5

As the Holy Spirit shows you areas of bondage, you willingly submit those "captive" thoughts to Christ and repent of them, giving them to Him for His deliverance.

4. In writing, Inventory your relationships:

- 1) Give each and every one of them to Christ asking Him to show you how they should be if He were really lord.
- 2) Unforgiveness will block and defeat His Lordship. See Mark 11:25

5. Write down all that you think you own in the way of material possessions.

As the Holy Spirit of Jesus shows you which of these you have not yet yielded to him, one by one give them to Him. Like the Rich young ruler, you cannot let things come between you & His rule in you.

III. Daily reaffirm His Lordship in your quiet time.

1st Chron. 4:9, 10= Jabez was an honorable man whom God blessed mightily. You & I can be honorable and walk in the blessing of His Lordship. It is a moment by moment, day by day, "walking in the light as he is in the light."