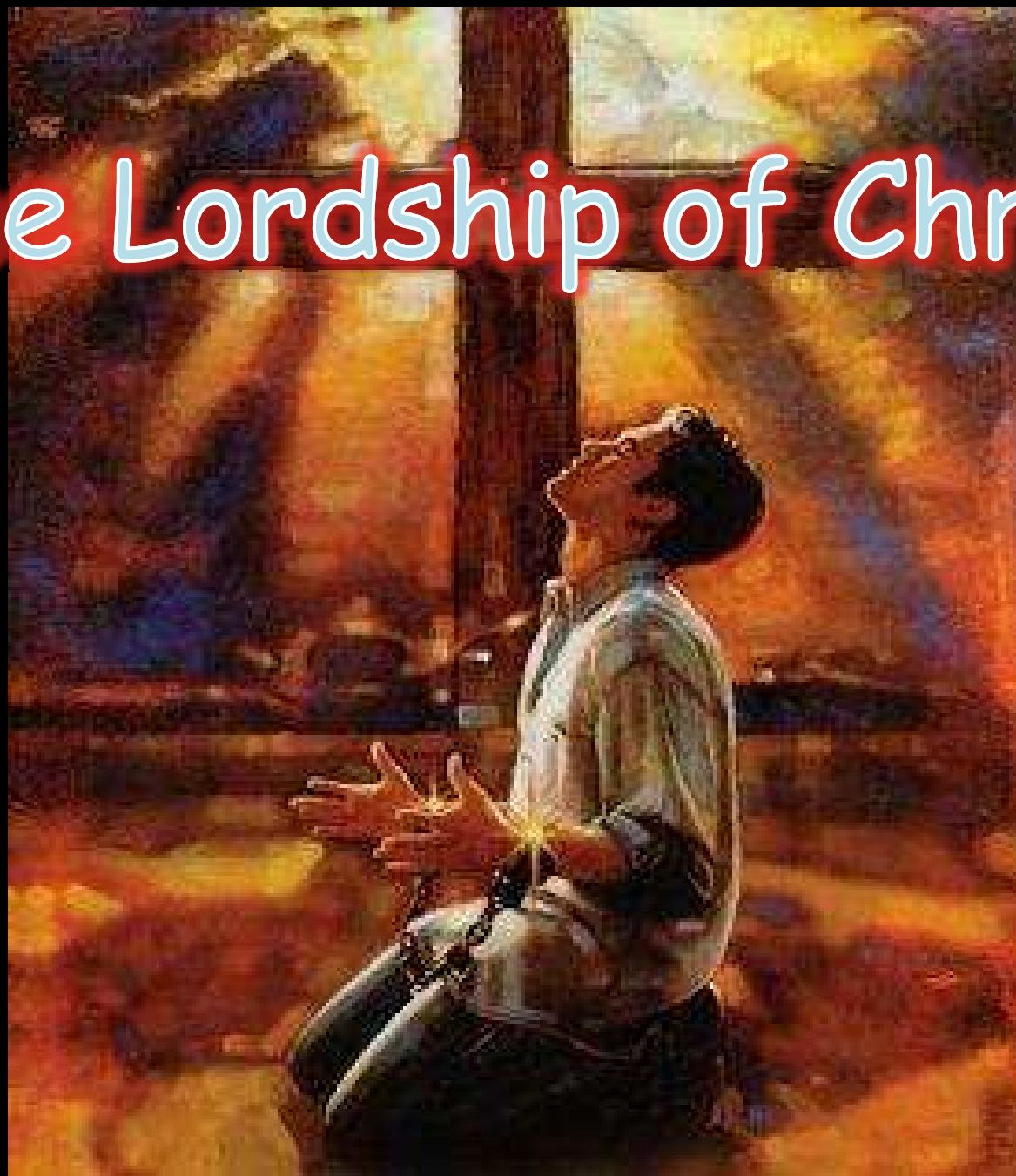


The Lordship of Christ



Both Saviour AND Lord

- God's grace is linked to His Lordship – the Messiah (Christ or Saviour) would also be Lord (King or sovereign ruler)
- In our modern culture, we want the “good life” without making sacrifices, the benefits without the hard work
- Many “Christians” readily accept Jesus as their Saviour and friend, but avoid submitting to him as their Lord
- The Bible is clear that we cannot have one or the other – to be a disciple of Jesus, we need to accept him as Saviour and Lord
- This has implications for every aspect of our lives



Acts 2 : 36

*“Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, **both Lord and Christ**”*

Mathew 7 : 21-23



Romans 10 : 9

*... if you confess with your mouth , **“Jesus is Lord”** and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, **you will be saved.***



Lord of our will and character

- Colossians 3 : 1-4, 12

Lord of our thoughts

- 2 Corinthians 10 : 5

... we take captive every thought and make it obedient to Christ.



Lord of our time and energy

- 1 Corinthians 15 : 58

Always give yourself fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain

Lord of our money and possessions

- Mathew 6 : 19-24



Lord of our relationships

- 1 Corinthians 15:33

Do not be misled : “Bad company corrupts good character”

Lordship of Christ in action

- Acts 2 : 42-47



For further study

- Isaiah 43:11, Isaiah 49:26, Jeremiah 23:6
- Philippians 2 : 1-11
- Colossians 3 : 5-10
- Colossians 3 : 13-14
- 2 Corinthians 6 : 14
- Romans 12 : 1-2



Convictions

- Have you more readily accepted Jesus as Saviour than as Lord ?
- What parts of your life do you find particularly challenging to place under the Lordship of Christ ?
- Do you see the connection between being willing to deny yourself daily (Luke 9:23) and submitting to Jesus as Lord ?
- Are you willing to seek help and advice when needed, to help you submit fully to the Lordship ?

