

The Lordship of Christ

Introduction:

- i. Not simply "Lordship" - it is not the subjection of our lives to a rule of religion or piety
- ii. Nor do we simply make "disciples" - any Hindu, Mormon, Jehovah Witness or Muslim can claim to serve a religious lord and make disciples of that religion.
- iii. It is not the table illustration that supports spiritual disciplines, rather it is Jesus Christ the Center
- iv. It is not Lordship but rather the Lordship of Jesus Christ, the second Person of the Trinity and we make Disciples of Jesus Christ

I. The Wheel and The Lordship of Christ

A. Do not stumble over Jesus

I Peter 2:6 - 8

Luke 7:24 "Blessed is he who does not take offense at Me."

Luke 20:17-18

17 But Jesus looked at them and said, "What then is this that is written: 'THE STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS REJECTED, THIS BECAME THE CHIEF CORNER stone'?

18 " Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces; but on whomever it falls, it will scatter him like dust."

B. Notice the rim. The Lordship of Christ is expressed in obedience to Christ as a Disciple of Christ

II. Thus the spiritual disciplines of the wheel are not ends in and of themselves but means of both knowing and expressing the Lordship of Christ through obedience in our day to day lives.

A. The Lordship of Jesus Christ and the Word

1. To be a Christian you must know/believe certain things

2. Jesus and the Word of God

a. Moses Mark 7:10 *"For Moses said..."*

b. Isaiah Matthew 15:7 *"You hypocrites, rightly did Isaiah prophesy of you.."*

c. David Luke 20:42 *"For David himself says in the book of Psalms..."*

d. Historical Books Luke 6:3 *And Jesus answering them said, "Have you not even read what David did when he was hungry, he and those who were with him,*

e. Jonah Luke 11:30 *"For just as Jonah became a sign to the Ninivites..."*

f. Luke 24:27 *Then beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, He explained to them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures.*

g. Luke 24:44-45

44 Now He said to them, " These are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things which are written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled."

45 Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures,

B. The Lordship of Jesus Christ and Prayer

1. John 15:7 For Jesus Prayer is inseparable from the Word
2. John 15:16 For Jesus Prayer is inseparable from Ministry
3. For Jesus Prayer is not miracles to prove Him

Matthew 12:38-39

38 Then some of the scribes and Pharisees said to Him, "Teacher, we want to see a sign from You."

39 But He answered and said to them, " An evil and adulterous generation craves for a sign; and yet no sign will be given to it but the sign of Jonah the prophet;

4. Prayer and Mediators I Timothy 2:5
5. Prayer - worship vs. singing (Mormons, Jehovah Witnesses, all of the non-Christians who come to church on religious holy days

C. The Lordship of Jesus Christ and Fellowship

1. Matthew 18:20
2. *The Church - Ephesians 1:22-23*
22 And He put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the church,
23 which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.
3. The fulfillment of the Temple is not the building
4. The Universal Priesthood of the believer

D. The Lordship of Jesus Christ and Witnessing

1. Revelation 3:23
2. Revelation 22:17
3. Mark 8:38; Romans 1:16
4. Mark 16:15

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