**“Part of”…or…”Lord of”?**

**The Lordship of Jesus Christ**

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**Bottom Line:
Many believers today profess faith in Jesus, yet treat Him more like a part-time companion than the reigning King of their lives. There is a stark difference between Jesus being the Lord of your life and Jesus simply being a part of your life.**

**1. Jesus calls us to make Him Lord of our**

 **life…not just a part of it. Luke 6:46-49;**

 **Luke 10:9-10; Acts 16:31**

 ***What is Lordship? (2 aspects)
 1. Acknowledging that Jesus is worthy to be***

 ***followed.
 2. Embarking on a lifelong journey of growing***

 ***in obedience to His will.***

 **A. Logically, it only makes sense to**

 **acknowledge Jesus as Lord…not just a**

 **“consultant”.**

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 ***"The Lordship of Jesus is not quite popular in our time. To***

 ***accept Christ seems to mean only to allow Him to help us—***

 ***but not to control us." - A.W. Tozer***



**B. Scripturally, it is clear that Jesus**

 **demands to be Lord …not just an**

 **“advisor”.**

**2. Jesus being Lord means an attitude of**

 **total surrender! Matthew 16:24;**

 **Galatians 2:20**

 ***"He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what***

 ***he cannot lose." – Jim Elliot, martyred missionary***

**3. Jesus being Lord leads by necessity to**

 **transformed lives! Romans 12:1-2**

 ***Remember, When Jesus is Lord, obedience***

 ***becomes joyful. When He’s just a part of your***

 ***life, obedience feels like obligation.***

**4. Jesus being Lord leads to an eternal**

 **reward! 2 Timothy 2:12; Matthew 7:21**

**Challenge to change:**

 **If you’ve been living a life where Jesus is just a “part of it” —perhaps your Sunday morning Savior but not your Monday morning Lord—today is the day to make Him Lord of all.**

 **Bow the knee. Lay down your rights. Surrender the throne of your heart…because Jesus won’t share the throne with you or with anyone else.**

 ***" [Jesus] will never go into partnership as a part Savior of men. If He be something, He must be everything.” -Charles Spurgeon***

