Jesus is Lord

Christ is the visible image of the invisible God.

He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation, for through him God created everything

in the heavenly realms and on earth.

He made the things we can see

and the things we can't see—
such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world.

Everything was created through him and for him.

He existed before anything else,
and he holds all creation together."

JESUS IS THE ANSWER TO THE 2 FUNDAMENTAL QUESTIONS OF LIFE:

COLOS SIANS 1:15-17 (NLT)

Everything was created through him..."

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"...and for him"

The Word was with God,
and the Word was God.
He existed in the beginning with God.
God created everything through him,
and nothing was created except through him.
The Word gave life to everything that was created,
and his life brought light to everyone.
The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness can never extinguish it."

So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son."

JOHN 1:14 (NLT)

JOHN 1:1-5 (NLT)

Jesus is Lord

Christ is also the head of the church, which is his body.

He is the beginning, supreme over all who rise from the dead.

So he is first in everything."

COLOSSIANS 1:18 |

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Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honor and gave him the name above all other names, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

## Jesus is the Lord

PHILIPPIANS 2:9-11

For God in all his fullness

was pleased to live in Christ,

and through him God reconciled

everything to himself.

He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ's blood on the cross.

This includes you who were once far away from God. You were his enemies, separated from him by your evil thoughts and actions. Yet now he has reconciled you to himself through the death of Christ in his physical body. As a result, he has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy and blameless as you stand before him without a single fault."

So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus."

ROMANS 8:1 (NLT)

COLSSIANS 1:19-22 (NLT)

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But you must continue to believe this truth and stand firmly in it. Don't drift away from the assurance you received when you heard the Good News. The Good News has been preached all over the world, and I, Paul, have been appointed as God's servant to proclaim it."

COLOSSIANS 1:23

(NLT)

Jesus told him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.'"

JOHN 14:6 (NLT)

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

JESUS IS LORD

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- **1** What is your favorite Christmas memory? How do you and your family incorporate Jesus into your Christmas celebrations?
- **2 -** When you think of the word "Lord" what do you think of? Where are some places in our world where there is an ultimate authority? How do you respond to authority and people in authority?
- **3 -** Read Colossians 1:15-17. Which of the 2 fundamental questions of life do you struggle with most? Why?
- **4 -** Read Colossians 1:19-22, and Romans 8:1. If God has reconciled you to himself, why do people struggle with the Idea being totally and completely forgiven?
- **5** Read Colossians 1:23, what causes people to drift away from the truth?
- **6** What do you find easiest to make Jesus Lord of in your life? What do you find harder to Surrender? What are you feeling convicted to surrender in your life right now?





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