

# Abundant Life: Eternal Purpose: Lord of Lords

Jesus desires to give us eternal life and be Lord now and forever over our lives.

## Eternal Life

### **John 10:10 New King James Version**

10 The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.

### **Acts 2:36-38 New Living Translation**

36 “So let everyone in Israel know for certain that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, to be both Lord and Messiah!” 37 Peter’s words pierced their hearts, and they said to him and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” 38 Peter replied, “Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

### **John 3:16 New Living Translation**

16 “For this is how God loved the world: He gave[a] his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

## First Only

### **Revelation 2:1-7 New Living Translation**

1 “Write this letter to the angel[a] of the church in Ephesus. This is the message from the one who holds the seven stars in his right hand, the one who walks among the seven gold lampstands: 2 “I know all the things you do. I have seen your hard work and your patient endurance. I know you don’t tolerate evil people. You have examined the claims of those who say they are apostles but are not. You have discovered they are liars. 3 You have patiently suffered for me without quitting. 4 “But I have this complaint against you. You don’t love me or each other as you did at first![b] 5 Look how far you have fallen! Turn back to me and do the works you did at first. If you don’t repent, I will come and remove your lampstand

from its place among the churches. 6 But this is in your favor: You hate the evil deeds of the Nicolaitans, just as I do. 7 “Anyone with ears to hear must listen to the Spirit and understand what he is saying to the churches. To everyone who is victorious I will give fruit from the tree of life in the paradise of God.

- Whatever God is superior, or first in your heart, you will worship and submit to them and present it with offerings.
- When Jesus Christ is Lord you'll love Him first and only. obeying and giving sacrifices of righteousness.
- When Satan is lord you'll submit and offer sinful sacrifices, works of the flesh.
- **Galatians 5:19-21 New Living Translation**
- 19 When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, 20 idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division, 21 envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God.
- Wherever our hearts are not fully committed to the Lord demonic powers can be there ruling, and the evidence is the works of the flesh.
- **Romans 8:14 New Living Translation**  
14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children[a] of God.

### ***Proximity doesn't prove power!***

- We can have hearts that are close to Jesus, but He not be Lord of it all!
- Judas was close to Jesus but was still a betrayer and led by Satan.
- Jesus will allow you to stay and proximity and be used by the enemy to still fulfill His greater purpose.
- **Matthew 13:24-30 New Living Translation**  
24 Here is another story Jesus told: “The Kingdom of Heaven is like a farmer who planted good seed in his field. 25 But that night as the workers slept, his enemy came and planted weeds among the wheat, then slipped away. 26 When the crop began to grow and produce grain, the weeds also grew. 27 “The farmer’s workers went to him and said, ‘Sir, the field where you planted that good seed is full of weeds! Where did they come from?’

28 “An enemy has done this!’ the farmer exclaimed. “Should we pull out the weeds?’ they asked. 29 “No,’ he replied, ‘you’ll uproot the wheat if you do. 30 Let both grow together until the harvest. Then I will tell the harvesters to sort out the weeds, tie them into bundles, and burn them, and to put the wheat in the barn.’

### **Philippians 2:5-11 New Living Translation**

5 You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.

6 Though he was God,[a]  
he did not think of equality with God  
as something to cling to.

7 Instead, he gave up his divine privileges[b];  
he took the humble position of a slave[c]  
and was born as a human being.

When he appeared in human form,[d]

8 he humbled himself in obedience to God  
and died a criminal’s death on a cross.

9 Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honor  
and gave him the name above all other names,

10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

11 and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

### **Covenant Love**

#### **Exodus 20:1-6 New Living Translation**

20 Then God gave the people all these instructions[a]: 2 “I am the Lord your God, who rescued you from the land of Egypt, the place of your slavery.

3 “You must not have any other god but me. 4 “You must not make for yourself an idol of any kind or an image of anything in the heavens or on the earth or in the sea. 5 You must not bow down to them or worship them, for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God who will not tolerate your affection for any other gods. I lay the sins of the parents upon their children; the entire family is affected—even children in the third and fourth generations of those who reject me. 6 But I lavish unfailing love for a thousand generations on those[b] who love me and obey my commands.

## **Heart Health**

### **Proverbs 3:5-10 New Living Translation**

5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart;  
do not depend on your own understanding.

6 Seek his will in all you do,  
and he will show you which path to take.

7 Don't be impressed with your own wisdom.  
Instead, fear the Lord and turn away from evil.

8 Then you will have healing for your body  
and strength for your bones.

9 Honor the Lord with your wealth  
and with the best part of everything you produce.

10 Then he will fill your barns with grain,  
and your vats will overflow with good wine.

- Trust in the Lord with all your heart, why? It's an entrance to your decision making. Any area of your heart not fully trusting God as Lord can become a place where the enemy rules.

### **Genesis 4:1-7 New Living Translation**

4 Now Adam[a] had sexual relations with his wife, Eve, and she became pregnant. When she gave birth to Cain, she said, "With the Lord's help, I have produced[b] a man!" 2 Later she gave birth to his brother and named him Abel. When they grew up, Abel became a shepherd, while Cain cultivated the ground.

3 When it was time for the harvest, Cain presented some of his crops as a gift to the Lord. 4 Abel also brought a gift—the best portions of the firstborn lambs from his flock. The Lord accepted Abel and his gift, 5 but he did not accept Cain and his gift. This made Cain very angry, and he looked dejected. 6 "Why are you so angry?" the Lord asked Cain. "Why do you look so dejected? 7 You will be accepted if you do what is right. But if you refuse to do what is right, then watch out! Sin is crouching at the door, eager to control you. But you must subdue it and be its master."

- Sin lies at the door of your heart and it wants to rule over you

- Sin is powered by rulers of darkness and principalities forces that are anti-God.
- You don't have to call Satan Lord to be deceived by Him when He's at your door with sin, be careful there's deception at the door, as well as the way the truth and the life

### **Revelation 3:20-22 New Living Translation**

20 "Look! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal together as friends. 21 Those who are victorious will sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat with my Father on his throne. 22 "Anyone with ears to hear must listen to the Spirit and understand what he is saying to the churches."

- Jesus knocks he wants to rule over you and with you.
- You cannot serve two masters

### **Matthew 6:23-24 New Living Translation**

23 But when your eye is unhealthy, your whole body is filled with darkness. And if the light you think you have is actually darkness, how deep that darkness is! 24 "No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and be enslaved to money.

- When money is your God in the end you'll be surrounded by things that cannot save you.
- We know that money is our God by where it goes first and without complaint.

### **Lord of the light and darkness!**

### **1 Samuel 5:1-5 New Living Translation**

5 After the Philistines captured the Ark of God, they took it from the battleground at Ebenezer to the town of Ashdod. 2 They carried the Ark of God into the temple of Dagon and placed it beside an idol of Dagon. 3 But when the citizens of Ashdod went to see it the next morning, Dagon had fallen with his face to the

ground in front of the Ark of the Lord! So they took Dagon and put him in his place again. 4 But the next morning the same thing happened—Dagon had fallen face down before the Ark of the Lord again. This time his head and hands had broken off and were lying in the doorway. Only the trunk of his body was left intact. 5 That is why to this day neither the priests of Dagon nor anyone who enters the temple of Dagon in Ashdod will step on its threshold.

- God's power not only works in the light but in the darkness.
- The Philistine God bowed the first time it was broken in the second time.
- God is a jealous God. Why is there another standing in my place?
- He is Lord over all!
- Having no God before Him doesn't just mean first in order, but first and only!

### **Mark 5:1-13 New Living Translation**

5 So they arrived at the other side of the lake, in the region of the Gerasenes.[a] 2 When Jesus climbed out of the boat, a man possessed by an evil[b] spirit came out from the tombs to meet him. 3 This man lived in the burial caves and could no longer be restrained, even with a chain. 4 Whenever he was put into chains and shackles—as he often was—he snapped the chains from his wrists and smashed the shackles. No one was strong enough to subdue him. 5 Day and night he wandered among the burial caves and in the hills, howling and cutting himself with sharp stones. 6 When Jesus was still some distance away, the man saw him, ran to meet him, and bowed low before him. 7 With a shriek, he screamed, “Why are you interfering with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? In the name of God, I beg you, don’t torture me!” 8 For Jesus had already said to the spirit, “Come out of the man, you evil spirit.” 9 Then Jesus demanded, “What is your name?” And he replied, “My name is Legion, because there are many of us inside this man.” 10 Then the evil spirits begged him again and again not to send them to some distant place. 11 There happened to be a large herd of pigs feeding on the hillside nearby. 12 “Send us into those pigs,” the spirits begged. “Let us enter them.” 13 So Jesus gave them permission. The evil spirits came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the entire herd of about 2,000 pigs plunged down the steep hillside into the lake and drowned in the water.

### **Matthew 12:43-45 New Living Translation**

43 “When an evil[a] spirit leaves a person, it goes into the desert, seeking rest but finding none. 44 Then it says, ‘I will return to the person I came from.’ So it returns and finds its former home empty, swept, and in order. 45 Then the spirit finds seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they all enter the person and live there. And so that person is worse off than before. That will be the experience of this evil generation.”

- Is the house clean but empty?
- You must make Him Lord.

### **Make Him Lord of All**

- Where He is Lord His word rules! Testimony.
- Who is Lord there? Where He is Lord those areas will be ruled by truth.
- **Luke 6:46 New Living Translation**  
46 “So why do you keep calling me ‘Lord, Lord!’ when you don’t do what I say?

### **Romans 12:1-2 New Living Translation**

12 And so, dear brothers and sisters,[a] I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him.[b]  
2 Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God’s will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

### **James 4:4-10 New Living Translation**

4 You adulterers![a] Don’t you realize that friendship with the world makes you an enemy of God? I say it again: If you want to be a friend of the world, you make yourself an enemy of God. 5 Do you think the Scriptures have no meaning? They say that God is passionate that the spirit he has placed within us should be faithful to him.[b] 6 And he gives grace generously. As the Scriptures say, “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”[c] 7 So humble yourselves before God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Come close to God, and God will come close to you. Wash your hands, you sinners; purify

your hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world. 9 Let there be tears for what you have done. Let there be sorrow and deep grief. Let there be sadness instead of laughter, and gloom instead of joy. 10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up in honor.

- You keep seeing the same sins occur because there is a root cause.
- Yes God will forgive you a million times but He would rather you be free!
- Let Him sever the root and instead connect you to His vine.
- Then you will become His branch bearing much fruit.

How do you make him Lord of your pain?

### **John 5:5-6 New Living Translation**

5 One of the men lying there had been sick for thirty-eight years. 6 When Jesus saw him and knew he had been ill for a long time, he asked him, "Would you like to get well?"