

## **His Name Shall Be Called Wonderful (17)**

### **Lord of All**

The Lordship of Jesus Christ is an indisputable fact. It is attested throughout all of the sacred Scriptures and will be acknowledged by all of creation in a coming day. He is the divinely appointed head and heir of all things. In attaching the title, “*Lord*”, to the name Jesus Christ, we rightly attribute to Him deity and equality with God, Jehovah.

Following the resurrection of the Lord Jesus from the dead, a disbelieving Thomas, upon seeing Him, declared, “*My Lord and my God*” (Jn. 20:28). Peter testified to the people of Israel, using the Scriptures to prove the resurrection of Christ and announced to them, “*God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ*” (Acts. 2:27-36).

In Paul’s letter to the believers in Corinth, Paul reminds us that we are not our own, but we have been bought with a price and belong to Christ (1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 6:20). In the book of Romans, Paul emphasized that whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. He tells us that this is why Christ died and rose again from the dead; that He might be Lord both of the dead and the living (Rom. 14:8-9).

In Paul’s explanation of the order and manner of the resurrection, he referred to Adam as the first man, of the earth. He referred to the Lord Jesus as the second man, the Lord from heaven (1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 15:47). This description of the Lord Jesus Christ, not only indicates His divine origin, but would also indicate His divine power in the process of change at the resurrection of the saints.

Paul wrote in his letter to the church in Philippi concerning the change that will occur, when the Lord Jesus returns for the saints, “*Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself*” (Phil. 3:21).

In his epistle, James warned against showing partiality, or having respect of persons, particularly in the practice of the Christian faith. He wrote, “*My brethren, have not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory, with respect of persons*” (Jas. 2:1). The phrase, “*the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ*”, seems to include the whole of Christian life in practice, particularly, the teachings of the Lord Jesus.

It is interesting to note that he refers to our Lord Jesus Christ, as, “*the Lord of glory*”. The apostle Paul also referred to the Lord Jesus using the title, “*the Lord of glory*” (1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 2:8). The Lord Jesus Christ is the visible manifestation of all that God is in essential nature and being and the express image of His glory and majesty. John wrote, “*we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth*” (Jn. 1:14).

When Peter understood that God had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles (Acts 14:27), he was made to realize that God is no respecter of persons. He recognized, that the message of the Gospel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ, was meant for the Gentiles as well as the Jews. He acknowledged that Jesus Christ is “*Lord of all*” (Acts 10:36).

In his letter to the saints at Philippi, Paul wrote of the Lord Jesus, who is in very essence and nature, God, yet He willingly took upon Himself the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of men. He humbled Himself, submitting Himself to the will of His heavenly Father and became obedient even to the death of the cross.

Paul concludes this section by saying, “Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father” (Phil. 2:6-11).

*His Lordship undisputed,  
From holy throne doth reign;  
Nor e'er can be refuted,  
Throughout His vast domain.*

*He came in incarnation,  
Possessing deity;  
The Author of salvation,  
Both Lord and Christ is He.*

*In willing substitution,  
The Lord of Glory died;  
Providing absolution,  
For sinners, far and wide.*

*In blessed intercession,  
He stood in sinner's place;  
The greatest known expression  
Of reconciling grace.*

*The Lord of dead and living,  
Has vanquished all our foes;  
And in His gracious giving,  
Eternal life bestows.*

*Now, at His coronation,  
All creatures prostrate fall;  
Join in the celebration,  
And crown Him Lord of All*  
**Bernie Payne**