

Jesus Is Lord

“Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”
Philippians 2:9-11 (NIV)

Perhaps the greatest mistake people make in thinking about Jesus is the error of not recognizing His true identity. Some people think that Jesus was a wonderful man who did a lot of good – especially toward people who were suffering in one way or another. Others thought of Jesus as a master of debate and they love to read about how He could get the best of His enemies in arguments.

When the Jewish readers read the words in our verses today “...the name that is above every name...” they instantly knew that Paul was referring to the name no kosher Jew would utter for fear of breaking the commandment that said, “You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.” (Exodus 20:7).

In English that name is usually translated Jehovah or Yahweh in our Bibles. So the name that God the Father

bestowed on Jesus at His ascension was this name Jehovah.

Do you confess that Jesus is Lord? Do you bow your knee to this everlasting Lord and Saviour? It is prophesied in Isaiah 45:3 and quoted in Romans 14:11 that a day is coming in which all creation shall be assembled before the Lord and every knee shall bow and acknowledge Him as Lord and God.

So when you pray to Jesus and call on Him to help you in your times of need you are summoning the Creator God Who can stop the storm with a word (Mark 4:39). He speaks to the dead and they live (John 11:43-44). He takes the small lunch of a little boy and creates from it food for thousands (John 6:8-13).

Why are you hesitant and not believing? Jesus is prepared to give you grace to

endure your difficulties – or even remove the problem if it is His will! Step aside from the rush of life for a few moments today. Bow your knee to this Sovereign Saviour and ask for His help. Do not doubt. He is more willing to help His sheep than they are to pray.

Be like the Palmist and call on the Lord to get up and do what you cannot (Psalm 44:23). The Lord expects His children to ask for what they need, so come quickly and make your needs known. Come and come now. He waits to hear from you, Do not disappoint Him.

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