

The Disciple and His Lord

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I. Introduction.

A. Luke 9:18-27.

B. The Bible teaches that Christ is Lord right away - there is no distinction between Savior and Lord.

II. The gospel.

A. The gospel is the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ. (1 Corinthians 15:1-3, Colossians 2:9-10)

B. The good news is that we have been forgiven for our sins. Christ paid the price for the sins of the whole world. (1 Peter 3:18)

C. The Holy Spirit came down at Pentecost and restrains the world from all hell today. (1 Thessalonians 2:7)

D. The Spirit is also in us if we believe. The Spirit is the spirit of Jesus. (1 Corinthians 12:13, Galatians 2:20, John 14-16)

E. We were saved from the penalty of sin, we are being saved from the power of sin, and we will be saved from the presence of sin. (Philippians 3:20-21, 2 Corinthians 4:16)

1. Salvation is in a moment. (John 1:12)

2. We are to move on from the new birth experience of salvation unto growth.

III. If you have never committed your life to Christ, now may be your time.

IV. We can be nice but lost if we are going our own way.

A. God makes provision to come to Him every day. (Luke 9:23)

B. We have to lay our lives down. (Psalm 6:16)

C. We have to make a choice to follow Christ. (Revelation 3:20)

D. If you have made a commitment than you cannot be bought.

E. We do not have the strength to stay in His will, but He can keep us there. (John 5:41)

Application questions

1. What does John 1:12, Philippians 3:20-21, and 2 Corinthians 4:16 teach us about the different aspects of salvation?

2. What centrally is the gospel, and how do we benefit?

3. Why does a person have to be more than “nice” to have salvation? What is demanded? Explain.
