

WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT JESUS

Lesson #4 –Jesus is our Head

Scripture Reading: Mark 11:27-33

Introduction:

1. The leaders of the day questioned the authority of Christ.
2. We must submit to the authority of Jesus.
3. We submit to the authority of Jesus because of...

I. THE ORIGIN OF HIS AUTHORITY

A. CAME FROM THE FATHER

1. This is stated in the Great Commission –Mt 28:18
2. God had made Him to be Head –Ep 1:22-23, Co 1:16-20
3. He sat down at the right hand of God –He 1:3
4. To the Son He says... -He 1:8-9, 2:7

B. REASON WAS HIS OBEDIENCE

1. He suffered for the sins of mankind –He 2:9
2. Humility and suffering –Ph 2:5-11

II. THE SOURCE OF HIS AUTHORITY

A. THE WORD OF GOD

1. They are the commandments of the Lord -1Co 14:37
2. The Bible is the inspired word of God -2Ti 3:16-17, He 4:12, Ep 6:17
3. Jesus promised the Spirit –Jn 16:13
 - a. The Spirit would speak what He hears
 - b. He would not speak on His own authority

B. OBEDIENCE TO THE WORD OF GOD

1. To be the body of Christ, we must submit to the head –Lk 6:46, Mt 7:21-23
2. Salvation is through obedience –He 5:8-9

III. REACTION TO HIS AUTHORITY

A. ABOVE ALL OTHER AUTHORITIES

1. E.g. –The higher law we follow
2. My sheep know My voice –Jn 10:1-5

B. PUTTING HIM FIRST IN ALL THINGS

1. Our only creed is the Bible –De 4:2, Pr 30:6, Re 22:18-19
2. Singing and making melody in our heart –Ep 5:19, Co 3:16
3. Salvation = Faith (Jn 8:24), Repent (Lk 13:3, 5), Confess (Lk 12:8, 9; Ac 8:37), baptism (Mk 16:16), and faithfulness (Mt 10:22; Re 2:10)

Conclusion:

1. Jesus is our head that we must follow
2. Jesus is leading us home.