



Ministry of Reconciliation (MOR) Bible Teachings

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MOR-Bible, which is by God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, may grace, God's unmerited divine favor, be to you. May peace and absolute end of all strife or trouble be to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ to the faithful in Christ Jesus. Father, we are grateful, thankful, and pray always for the body of Christ that you, Father, would count us worthy of your calling and fulfil all the good pleasure of your goodness. We pray that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ be glorified in each of us, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

In last month's [teaching](#), we reviewed the first six usages of the name, the **Lord Jesus Christ** documented in Acts which builds on this year's teachings on the names **Jesus** (see [January 2024](#)), in **Christ Jesus** (see [February 2024](#)), and **Jesus Christ** (see [March 2024](#)). These names are used perfect in God's Word, and we must use them as they are used in God's Word if we want to see signs, miracles, and wonders.

In this month's teaching, we will trace, track, and search as documented in the book of Romans the usages of the names:

- The **Lord Jesus Christ**
- The **Lord Jesus Christ's**
- Our **Lord Jesus Christ**

Please note: The words are bolded for emphasis.

We will also define the numbers 1,2,3, and 9 as used in God's Word. As a reminder, Romans is a doctrinal church epistle. In the book of Romans, the following are addressed:

- The sinner is dealt with individually.
- The believer is dead with Christ (6:8) and risen with him (6:11).
- The believers receive the good news of what the sinner obtains by grace (10:9).

From last month's [teaching](#), we learned the word "**Lord**" is master, the word "**Jesus**" refers to the humble one who was obedient until death of the cross and his earthly life, and the word "**Christ**" means anointed.

In Ephesians 4:5, we are told:

one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

How many Lords? One! There are no others!

“**Lord**” is the first word in the phrase the **Lord Jesus Christ**. The number one (1) in God’s word denotes unity and beginning. Ephesians 4:5 tells us we are to make Christ Lord and master! Lordship initiates all the rest. Without confessing the Lord Jesus and believing in your heart that God raised him from the dead, there is no Lordship (see Romans 10:9).

1 Corinthians 12:3 states:

*Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man [no one] can say that Jesus is the **Lord** [master], but by the Holy Ghost [the gift of holy spirit in manifestation; speaking in tongues].*

In the phrase the **Lord Jesus Christ**, “**Jesus**” is the second name which doubly establishes the person to be made master and one Lord! When we search for the number two (2) throughout the Word of God, it signifies difference or division and has an extraordinary usage. Genesis 41:32 tells us:

*And for that the dream was doubled unto Pharaoh twice; it is because the thing is **established by God**, and **God** will shortly bring it to pass. [Bold is added for emphasis.]*

In the phrase the **Lord Jesus Christ**, “**Christ**” is listed third. The number three (3) throughout the Word of God indicates divine perfection, wholeness, and completeness.

The **Lord** (master) **Jesus** (the humble one) and **Christ** (divine perfection) is a complete phrase. It signifies the anointed one by God. Ephesians 1:20-23 states:

Which he wrought [energies] in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,

Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,

Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

For a better understanding of each of these words, see the teaching on the word "**Lord**," see [December 2020](#); for "**Jesus**," see [January 2024](#); and for "**Christ**" see [February 2024](#).

In this month's teaching, we will examine the two (2) usages of the name the **Lord Jesus Christ**, the one (1) usage of the name **the Lord Jesus Christ's**, and the six (6) usages of the name **our Lord Jesus Christ** as documented in Romans. All combined there are nine (9) usages as documented in the book of Romans.

The number nine (9) is a most remarkable number in many respects in the Bible. It is the last of the digits and marks the end. It is significant as the conclusion of a matter and is the number of finality or judgment.

Let's begin with the first usage of the name the **Lord Jesus Christ** which documents unity and beginning. Turn to Romans 1:7:

*To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the **Lord Jesus Christ**.*

This verse is part of the greeting from the Apostle Paul to the believers in Rome. What a greeting! *Beloved* [dearly] of who? *God*. *Called to be* what? *saints* or the separate one, sanctified, purified ones, by God's gift of holy spirit. *Grace* in this verse represents God's unmerited divine favor *to you*. And *peace* or the absolute end of all strife and trouble *from* who? *God*, the fountain of life and light, *our Father, and the **Lord Jesus Christ***. Wow, what a beginning!

The second usage of the name the **Lord Jesus Christ** appears in Romans 13:14. We will read verse 13 for a better understanding.

Let us walk [to be walking] honestly, as in the day, not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying.

The phrase *walk honestly* in this world is regarding a person's outward conduct and behavior according to God's Word! The opposite of a honest walk is a walk of rioting, drunkenness, chambering, wantonness, strife, and envy. Let's continue with verse 14 where the second usage occurs:

*But [in contrast] put ye on the **Lord Jesus Christ**, and make not provision [foresight, forethought] for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts [desire, passionate longing] thereof.*

Here we see the contrast presented to verse 13. In contrast to *walk honestly*, the walk is *to make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof*. The Roman believers (and us)

are not to walk in rioting, drunkenness, chambering, wantonness, strife, and envy. We are to *put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ*. You must by your free will choice, renew your mind, and put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and *make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof*. There is only one place that tells you how to put on the Lord Jesus Christ and it is the Word of God!

Romans 15:30 has the one (1) usage of the **Lord Jesus Christ's**. We will read Romans 15:30-33 for context. Remember, the number one (1) in the Bible represents the symbol of unity.

*Now I beseech you, brethren, for **the Lord Jesus Christ's** sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me.*

That I may be delivered from them that do not believe in Judaea; and that my service which I have for Jerusalem may be accepted of the saints.

That I may come unto you with joy by the will of God and may with you be refreshed.

Now the God of peace be with you all. Amen.

Here, Paul implores the brethren for *the **Lord Jesus Christ's** sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that they strive together with him in their prayers to God* for him. Then, Paul tells the Roman believers the purpose of the prayers to God for him. Paul:

- *Was to be delivered from them that do not believe in Judaea.*
- *That my service which I have for Jerusalem may be accepted of the saints.*
- *That I may come unto you with joy by the will of God and may with you be refreshed.*

For these purposes, Paul requested the unity of prayers from the brethren to God for him.

Now, let's look at the usages of **our Lord Jesus Christ**. We have access to **our Lord Jesus Christ** when we confess Romans 10:9. Once we do this, we receive the gift of holy spirit which is Christ in you the hope of glory (see Colossians 1:27). The first usage we will look at is documented in Romans: 5:1. For context, we will read Romans 4:24-25:

But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him (God) that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead.

Who [Jesus our Lord] was delivered [to the cross, was delivered to death] for our offences and was raised again for our justification [original text is when we were justified].

Romans 5:1:

*Therefore, being justified by faith [believing], we have peace with God through **our Lord Jesus Christ**.*

When we confessed the Lord Jesus and believed in our hearts that God raised him from the dead, we were saved (see Romans 10:9), and we were justified. That simple act of believing God's grace, made us whole and because of this, we have peace with God made possible by **our Lord Jesus Christ**. Do we have peace with God? Yes! So, then we do not have to pray for peace, because we already have peace with God through **our Lord Jesus Christ**. Philippians 4:7 states:

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

The second usage of **our Lord Jesus Christ** is documented in Romans: 5:11:

*And not only so, but we also joy in God through **our Lord Jesus Christ**, by whom we have now received the atonement.*

Joy in the Bible is a fantastic word. When we know that we are justified and have peace with God through **our Lord Jesus Christ**, there is joy or boasting in God. It is by **our Lord Jesus Christ** that we have received the atonement which means being at one with God! Bless the Lord, oh my soul! All that is within me blesses His holy name. Glory be to God for His Word is truth!

The third usage of **our Lord Jesus Christ** is documented in Romans: 15:6:

*That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of **our Lord Jesus Christ**.*

This verse tells us that *with one mind* (unanimously and with one accord and at the same time) *and one mouth glorify* (honor and praise) *God* (the fountain of life and light), *even the Father of who?* **our Lord Jesus Christ**.

The fourth usage of **our Lord Jesus Christ** is documented in Romans 16:18. We will read Romans 16:17-19 for a better understanding.

Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine [teaching; on how to believe rightly] which ye have learned; and avoid them.

Here Paul begs and pleads with the Roman believers, *to mark* (to look at, watch, fix the mind upon) *them which cause divisions* (dissension and discord) *and offences* (a stumbling block) *contrary* (opposite in nature, direction or meaning) *to the doctrine* (right believing of God's Word) *which they have learned* (been taught; understand; as a disciple); *and avoid* (turn away from and shun) *them*. What incredible learning just in one verse! Let's continue with verse 18:

*For they [them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine] that are such serve not **our Lord Jesus Christ**, but [in contrast] their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.*

Who do they *which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine of God's rightly divided word* NOT serve? They do not serve **our Lord Jesus Christ**. Who do these people that cause divisions and offenses serve? They serve or are a slave to *their own belly; and by good words* [smooth speech] *and fair speeches* [praise, blessing; speak well of] *deceive* [to seduce wholly] *the hearts* [mind, character, inner self, will, intention, center] *of the simple* [innocent, naïve]. Wow! Is it me or does this sound like what is going on in our world today? Isn't God's Word a tremendous truth! Let's finish with verse 19:

For your obedience is come abroad unto all men. I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil.

Paul reminds the Roman believers to be *wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil*. This is something we, as born-again believers, must constantly struggle with today.

The fifth usage of **our Lord Jesus Christ** is documented in Romans 16:20:

*And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of **our Lord Jesus Christ** be with you. Amen.*

And what shall *the God of peace* or the absolute end of all stripes and trouble *do? bruise* or break in pieces, crush *Satan under your feet*. And where is *the grace of **our Lord Jesus Christ?** with you*. This continues to be a wonderful remembrance to all born-again believers. 1 John 4:4 proclaims:

Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

The sixth usage of **our Lord Jesus Christ** is documented in Romans 16:24:

*The grace of **our Lord Jesus Christ** be with you all. Amen.*

In the fifth usage, *the grace of our **Lord Jesus Christ** be with you.* And the sixth usage doubly establishes that *the grace of **our Lord Jesus Christ** be with you all.* Isn't it wonderful how God's Word reinforces itself.

It is written in 2 Peter 1:20:

Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

Let me exhort you to be precise, not merely in your reading and in your study of the Bible, but in your quotation and understanding of it. We do not sit down to interpret the Bible, but we sit down before the Bible that it may interpret to us the will and purposes of God. We should not assume that God never means exactly what He says. When His Word says the **Lord Jesus Christ**, it means the **Lord Jesus Christ!** And when His Word says the **Lord Jesus Christ's**, it means the **Lord Jesus Christ's.** And when it says **our Lord Jesus Christ**, it means **our Lord Jesus Christ!** The order and phrasing of God's Word is perfect. Psalms 19:7 tells us:

The law [Word] of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.

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We also defined the numbers 1,2,3, and 9 used in God's Word. We read how the **Lord Jesus Christ**, the **Lord Jesus Christ's**, and **our Lord Jesus Christ** was documented in the book of Romans, and their meaning for us the born-again believers. We read there are nine (9) usages combined of these names:

- *Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the **Lord Jesus Christ** (Romans 1:7).*

- *But [in contrast] put ye on the **Lord Jesus Christ**, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof (Romans 13:14).*
- *Now I beseech you, brethren, for the **Lord Jesus Christ's** sake (Romans 15:30).*
- *Therefore, being justified by faith [believing], we have peace with God through **our Lord Jesus Christ** (Romans 5:1).*
- *. . .but we also joy in God through **our Lord Jesus Christ**, by whom we have now received the atonement (Romans 5:11).*
- *That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of **our Lord Jesus Christ** (Romans 15:6).*
- *For they [them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine] that are such serve not **our Lord Jesus Christ**, but [in contrast] their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple (Romans 16:18).*
- *And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of **our Lord Jesus Christ** be with you (Romans 16:20). Amen.*
- *The grace of **our Lord Jesus Christ** be with you all (Romans 16:24).*

Father thank you for your grace, peace, justification, joy, and atonement through your only begotten son the Lord Jesus Christ. Father, with one mind, and one mouth we glorify, honor, and praise you, the fountain of life and light. In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

The Word of God is the Will of God.

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