



Cornerstone
CHURCH

Jesus Reigns

Part 1

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“There’s really nothing more glorious than to know that Christ reigns over my life; He reigns over this world; He reigns over the cosmos, over every creature, and over every power in creation.”

John Piper

I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

Ephesians 1:17-23 NIV

Jesus Reigns So We Can Know Him

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Ephesians 1:17 NIV

We Need God to Reveal Jesus in a Deeper Way to Us

We Don't Need More Information About Jesus; We Need More Revelation of Him

The More We Know Jesus, the More We Understand His Reign

Jesus Reigns So We Can See with Spiritual Eyes

I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people,

Ephesians 1:18 NIV

“The hope to which He has called you to...”

- Our Hope is based on Jesus the King who reigns and holds our future.

“The riches of His glorious inheritance”

- We belong to Jesus Christ. We have an inheritance now and in eternity.

Jesus Reigns So We Can Live in His Power

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Ephesians 1:19-20 NIV

Resurrection Power raised Jesus from the dead, defeated death and the grave, and overcame all of the enemy's traps and scheme.

The power that raised Jesus from the dead is greater than any problem that is confronting you!

What is your Superpower? It's the Power of Jesus and His Resurrection

“The end of the reign of evil on earth began with the birth of Jesus. Later the enemy was defeated at Christ's temptation, and again the enemy was defeated on the cross. He was defeated by the empty tomb. Jesus was victorious for us! ...and now He reigns. His reign guarantees the end of sin and death and an eternity with Him for all who believe.”

Paul David Tripp

Jesus Reigns and Is Supreme Over All

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Ephesians 1:21-22a NIV

This is the declaration of Christ's absolute authority. He is “far above” every authority.

Jesus isn't competing for the throne; He is on the throne.

What feels overwhelming to us is never overwhelming to Jesus.

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Ephesians 1:22b-23 NIV

Jesus Reigns for His Church

Jesus is the Head of the Church, and we are His present-day example of Him to our world.

- His Church does not belong to culture
- His Church does not belong to personalities
- His Church does not belong to politics
- His Church belongs to Jesus

“The fullness of Him who fills everything in every way”

“When the heart submits, then Jesus reigns. When Jesus reigns, there is rest.”

Hudson Taylor