

What Does Lordship Look Like?

People ask me regularly, "How do you decide what to preach?"

I always equate it to the process of Making soup! Ingredients, Together, Cook it, Simmer...Better Second day Sermons are like that: Ideas, Plug them all into my brain, Study, Read, Pray, Quit thinking about it, Simmer

6 Months ago started process of thinking about theme for this year...Half a dozen or so in mind, Simmering Went to a conference, John Ortberg was speaking, Talking about process of Spiritual Formation (Growth)

Seeker Savior Friend Lord

Not sure exactly what his point was, something about people getting "Stuck" at Friend,

Bell went off in my brain, Spirit of God said, *The Theme for next year is Following Jesus as Lord!*

Today we begin a new series: **Vintage Jesus: Living out the Lordship of Christ** Don't Understand

In reality I want to do 4 things. Answer 4 Questions together

1. *What Does Lordship Look Like in a Practical Sense?*
2. *What are the Key Principles Concerning Lordship that we all need to Know?*
3. *Where am I in the process of Knowing Jesus that way?*
4. *What do I need to do to move forward?*

Q: What Does Lordship Look Like In A Practical Sense?

What does an orange taste like...What does a rose smell like...What does yellow look like?

Almost impossible to describe those things...Its kind of like that old adage about pornography, I don't know how to define it, but I know it when I see it!

I am going to attempt to describe the component elements of Lordship...Like a Diamond, Different Facets **6**

- **Personal Repentance:** **Luke 23:32-43** **Page 748**

"Don't you fear God? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve!"

God, I know I have sinned against you, and against others, and if you just me justly, I should be punished!

I am living my life one way, for me and me alone, and I am turning from that to you!

- **Practical Obedience:** **Luke 5:1-11** **Page 728**

"But because you say so I will!"

It goes against everything I know, everything I believe, everything I trust in...But because YOU say so

Day by day I am going to surrender the everyday elements of my life to your control!

If you say spend my money this way...Obey. Sexuality, Your way, Career, Honesty, Every element

- **Passionate Devotion:** **Luke 7:36-50** **Page 731**

"She wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. He who has been forgiven little loves little

There comes a point in your life when the personal impact of what Jesus has done for you comes home.

Here is what Jesus is telling Simon. If you can see something like that..and not be moved..calls into question whether or not you really understand what Jesus has done for you. *She GOT it!*

- **Selfless Sacrifice:** **John 3:26-30** **Page 752**

"He must become greater...I must become less."

Paul said it in Gal. I am crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live! Life I live, I live through Him!

The process of growth in my life is all about getting rid of those things that hold me back, drag me down

I am constantly surrendering control over to Him! (It's not about me, its all about him!)

- **Fearless Faith:** **Matt 8:5-13** **Page 686**

"Just say the word!"

We have to come to a place in our life where all we need is a word from God! Bible, Sermon, Heart, Song

When we hear Him, and know it is Him...then we follow, trusting He KNOWS what is right, even when

everything within us tells us it isn't so! (Every major move in my spiritual life...counter-intuitive, others no)

- **Unconditional Surrender:** **John 20:24-29** **Page 769**

"My Lord and my God!"

It is not what I would choose, it is not what I believe, it is not what I want...I think it will COST me!

But, I have heard from you, and so I surrender! Because you say so I will!

