

Jesus Has All Authority

- Exodus 5.1–2, “Who is Yahweh that I should obey his voice? I do not know Yahweh.”
- Previous lessons: 1) “Exodus: Who Is Yahweh That I Should Obey His Voice?” 2) “Leviticus: I Am Yahweh, Be Holy, for I Am Holy,” 3) “Ezekiel: They Shall Know That I Am Yahweh,” 4) “Gospels: Who Is This Jesus?” 5) “Jesus Is Raised From the Dead”

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Jesus Is Yahweh

- Paul’s quotations from the Old Testament involving Yahweh applied to Jesus show that Paul understood Jesus to be Yahweh (an English translation of the Septuagint [LXX] might need to be consulted to see the connections in the quotations): **Romans 4.8** / Psalm 32.1–2; **Romans 9.28–29** / Isaiah 28.22; 1.9; **Romans 10.13** / Joel 2.32; **Romans 10.16** / Isaiah 53.1; **Romans 11.3** / 1 Kings 19.10; **Romans 11.34** / Isaiah 40.13; **Romans 12.19** / Deuteronomy 32.35; **Romans 15.11** / Psalm 117.1; **1 Corinthians 1.30–31** / Jeremiah 9.23–24; **1 Corinthians 3.20** / Psalm 94.11; **1 Corinthians 10.20–21** / Deuteronomy 32.17 (cf. Malachi 1.7, 12); **1 Corinthians 10.22** / Deuteronomy 32.21; **1 Corinthians 10.26** / Psalm 24.1; **1 Corinthians 14.21** / Isaiah 28.11; **2 Corinthians 3.15–18** / Exodus 34.34; **2 Corinthians 6.17–18** / Isaiah 52.11; 2 Samuel 7.14; **2 Corinthians 10.17** / Jeremiah 9.23–24; **Philippians 2.9–11** / Isaiah 45.22–25; **1 Thessalonians 3.13** / Zechariah 14.5; **1 Thessalonians 4.6** / Psalm 94.1–2; **2 Thessalonians 1.7–8** / Isaiah 66.15; **2 Thessalonians 1.9** / Isaiah 2.10, 19, 21; **2 Thessalonians 1.12** / Isaiah 66.5.
- John 8.58, Jesus referred to himself as Yahweh (Exodus 3.14, Hebrew term, “I Am” is related to the name Yahweh, cf. Exodus 6.3).
- John 1.1–4, 14, 18; 20.28, 30–31, one of the major points / themes of John’s Gospel is to show, by the claims and credentials of the Christ, that Jesus is truly God.
- Colossians 1.19; 2.9, Jesus possesses the sum total of divine attributes; he is fully Yahweh.
- Hebrews 1.1–4, Jesus is “the exact imprint of God” (cf. 2 Corinthians 4.4; Philippians 2.6).

Jesus Has Been Given All Authority

- Matthew 28.18; Acts 2.36; 1 Corinthians 15.27 (cf. Romans 14.9; Colossians 2.10; 1 Peter 3.22), upon his resurrection and ascension, Jesus was given all authority in heaven and on earth.
- Ephesians 1.15–23; 4.15; 5.23; Colossians 1.18; 2.19 (cf. 1 Peter 5.4; Hebrews 13.20), he is the only head of the church, leaving no room for any other being, in heaven or on earth, to have any authority in the church.

So What? What Jesus’s Authority Means in Our Lives

- Matthew 28.18–20, we are to be his disciples, make disciples, and teach all he has commanded.
- Colossians 3.17, every word and action must be in harmony with his authority (cf. Acts 4.7).
- Ephesians 5.24, the church is to submit to Jesus in EVERYTHING (cf. 1 Corinthians 10.31).
- 2 John 9, no one can move ahead or go outside the scope of the authority of Jesus (cf. (N)KJV “transgress”).
- Matthew 7.21–27, we can’t make stuff up! We must obey Jesus.
- Matthew 10.37, we can’t follow our parents or family in anything that contradicts Jesus.

- Matthew 15.7–9, we can't practice anything that any group of religious people say is good or worship that contradicts Jesus.
- Colossians 2.6–23, we can't follow any philosophy, tradition, seemingly righteous requirement, claims of visions from God, human precepts or teachings, made-up religious activities that appear wise; we must follow the truth as found in Jesus, the Head of all things (cf. Ephesians 4.14).
- Hebrews 2.1–4, slowly drifting from the truth in Jesus must be combatted with daily diligence in staying anchored to Jesus through constant communication with him by reading, studying, meditating on his word and by praying for wisdom, knowledge, and understanding (cf. Colossians 1.9–14; Ephesians 1.15–22).

Who is Yahweh that I should obey his voice? He is Jesus. He has all authority.

Failing to follow Jesus as Lord will result in being sent away from him for all eternity (Matthew 7.21–23; cf. 25.31–46). But following Jesus in complete allegiance as his disciple means we glorify him, we receive abundant blessings in this life, but especially in the eternal life to come as we spend eternity with Jesus (1 Thessalonians 4.13–18). Submitting our lives to Jesus results in our complete transformation from sin and darkness to the image of Jesus himself (Romans 12.1–2; Ephesians 4.20–24; Colossians 1.13–14; etc.).

Are you faithfully following Jesus as the Lord and master of your life? If not, why not? May God help us all to have the attitude of Jesus when he said, "Not my will, but yours be done."