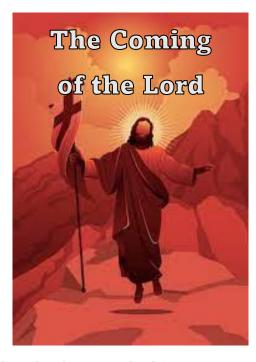
December 10, 2023 Advent in the Gospel of Mark

Mark 2: Jesus is Lord over Sin

Jesus is Lord

What is a Lord?

If now you are asked, What do you believe in the Second Article of Jesus Christ? answer briefly: I believe that Jesus Christ, true Son of God, has become my Lord. But what is it to become Lord? It is this, that He has redeemed me from sin, from the devil, from death, and all evil. For before I had no Lord nor King,



but was captive under the power of the devil, condemned to death, enmeshed in sin and blindness.

For when we had been created by God the Father, and had received from Him all manner of good, the devil came and led us into disobedience, sin, death, and all evil, so that we fell under His wrath and displeasure and were doomed to eternal damnation, as we had merited and deserved. There was no counsel, help, or comfort until this only and eternal Son of God in His unfathomable goodness had compassion upon our misery and wretchedness, and came from heaven to help us. Those tyrants and jailers, then, are all expelled now, and **in their place has come Jesus Christ, Lord of life**, righteousness, every blessing, and salvation, and has delivered us poor lost men from the jaws of hell, has won us, made us free, and brought us again into the favor and grace of the Father, and has taken us as His own property under His shelter and protection, that He may govern us by His righteousness, wisdom, power, life, and blessedness.

Let this, then, be the sum of this article that **the little word Lord signifies simply as much as Redeemer**, i.e., He who has brought us from Satan to God, from death to life, from sin to righteousness, and who preserves us in the same.

(Martin Luther – Large Catechism)

What does it mean for Jesus to be Lord <u>over you</u>?

Last Week (Mark 1):

Jesus arrives and immediately heals – especially from demon-possession Jesus shows Lordship over Satan

Mark 2:1-12

- 2:1 "home"
- 2:3 What did the friends want/expect?
- 2:5 What did Jesus do?
- 2:7 What does this question reveal... About the man?

About Jesus?

About the teachers?

2:9 Which IS easier to say?

Which is easier to DO?

2:13-17

What does this event have to do with 2:1-12?

Jesus is Lord over...

Is physical healing an "after thought" to Jesus? Why / why not?

How does Jesus Lordship affect YOU today?