

# **“WHO ART THOU LORD”**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

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**TEXT:** *“And he said, Who art thou, Lord?”* (Acts 9:5)

- A. Question raised and considered during the public ministry of Jesus (see Matt. 16:13-16).
  - B. How many times and ways was it asked again?
  - C. Seen and heard again in Acts 9 When Saul encountered Him on the road to Damascus.
    - 1. Background leading up to this journey.
    - 2. The actual event.
    - 3. Saul’s Question.... *“Who Art Thou Lord”* v.5.
  - D. A Question still being asked and answered by many today.
    - 1. “A good man”
    - 2. “An imposter”
    - 3. The answer that is often given that falls just short of deity.
  - C. We want to consider the answer found in God’s Word today.
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## **I AM JESUS**

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- A. BOTH PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL IDENTITY.
    - 1. *“Is not this the carpenter’s son? Is not his mother called Mary* (Matt. 13:55).
    - 2. *“And she shall bring forth a son; and thou shalt call his name Jesus; for it is he that shall save his people from their sins.”* (Matt. 1:21).
  - B. THE LIFE AND MINISTRY OF JESUS.
    - 1. From the little town of Bethlehem..
    - 2. His name is known throughout the world.
  - C. BUT JUST WHO IS JESUS??
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## **HEALER OF HURTS**

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- A. *“Jesus Christ healeth thee”* (v. 34).
  - 1. From the very beginning Jesus was the Healer of the physical hurts of the people.
  - 2. Every kind of malady from leprosy to blindness was cured by Jesus.
  - 3. The people marveled, and brought unto Him all who were sick.
- B. CASTING OUT DEMONS:
  - 1. A New Testament phenomenon
  - 2. Jesus had power over these.
- C. IMPORTANT NOTICE AND COMPARISON.
  - 1. How many times was sin compared to sickness/
  - 2. Disease such as leprosy.
- D. Matthew 9:1-8.... Which is easier to say, Thy sins are forgiven or arise...walk.

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E. That you may know the Son of man hath authority to forgive sins...

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### **GIVER OF LIFE**

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A. STORY IN ACTS 9:36ff.

1. Dorcas a woman full of good works and almsdeeds.
2. She fell sick and died. “V. 37)
3. Sent for Peter..He prayed and lifted her up.

B. ILLUSTRATED IN A PHYSICAL WAY THAT JESUS IS THE GIVER OF LIFE.

1. John 20:30,31... *“that ye may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the son of god: and that believing ye may have life in his name.”.*
2. John 14:1-4.... “the life”

C. Answer to the Question THE GIVER OF LIFE!

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### **CHANGER OF LIVES**

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A. CHAPTER NINE BEGINS WITH “SAUL, YET BREATHING THREATENING AND SLAUGHTER AGAINST THE DISCIPLES OF THE LORD.”

1. Following the death of Stephen.
2. He was death and prison to the disciples.

B. THEN... *“and straitway in the synagogues he proclaimed Jesus, that he is the son of God”. v. 20.*

1. Immediately became God’s prophet...Apostle for Christ.
2. The Rest of New Testament reflects the life that he lived.

C. QUESTION: What changed Him?

1. Met Jesus.
2. Changed his life forever.

D. “Who Art Thou Lord?” JESUS THE CHANGER OF LIVES!

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## THE SON OF GOD

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### A. John 3:16

1. At Mt. Of Transfiguration...(2) At His baptism....(3) Triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

### B. WHAT THIS MEANS TO US:

1. Matthew 1:18 “God with us”
2. “I go unto the Father” John 14:12
3. John 14:1-4 “*Let not your heart be troubled: believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I come again, and will receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go, ye know the way.*”

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## CONCLUSION

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### A. WHAT IS OUR RESPONSE TO:

1. “The Healer of Hurts”
2. “The Giver of Life”
3. “The changer of Lives”
4. “The Son of God”

### B. “Behold I am here Lord” v. 10.

1. Willing to obey.
2. To do what you will have me to do.

### C. Isaiah The Prophet..... “Here am I Lord, send me.....”

### D. YOU AND I...WHAT IS OUR RESPONSE?

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