

A Reason for Hope

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Hope because of Jesus Christ's absolute authority and that people may know Him and experience His resurrection and return.

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Christian Character

1 Peter 3:15

I. HOPE BECAUSE OF JESUS CHRIST'S DIVINITY

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John 20:28

See also 1 Co 8:6; 2 Co 3:17–18; Eph 4:5; 2 Th 2:16; 2 Pe 1:2

B. THE DAY OF CHRIST JESUS

Philippians 1:6

See also 1 Co 1:8; 2 Co 1:14; Php 1:10; Php 2:16; Re 1:10

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C. JESUS CHRIST IS RULER OVER ALL

Revelation 17:14

See also Dt 10:17; Re 19:16

D. JESUS CHRIST IS THE SAVIOUR

Romans 10:13

See also Joe 2:32; Ac 2:21

E. JESUS CHRIST IS LORD OF THE SABBATH

Matthew 12:8

II. HOPE BECAUSE JESUS THE MESSIAH IS LORD

A. "JESUS IS LORD" IS THE BASIC CHRISTIAN STATEMENT OF FAITH

Romans 10:9

See also Ac 11:20; Ac 16:31; Ac 20:21; 1 Co 12:3; 2 Co 4:5; Php 2:10–11

B. JESUS IS LORD BECAUSE OF THE RESURRECTION

Romans 1:4

See also Ac 4:33; Ro 4:24; Ro 14:9; Heb 13:20

C. LORD IS A NATURAL TITLE FOR THE RISEN CHRIST

Luke 24:34

See also Lk 22:61; Ac 1:21; Ac 7:59; 1 Co 9:1; 1 Co 9:5; 1 Th 4:17

III. HOPE BECAUSE OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS

A. IT IS A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP

Philippians 3:8

See also Ac 16:15; Ro 5:11; Ro 14:8; 1 Co 6:17; 2 Pe 2:20

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B. "THE NAME OF THE LORD" EXPRESSES THIS RELATIONSHIP

1 Corinthians 6:11

See also Ac 8:16; Ac 15:26; Ac 19:5; Ac 21:13; Eph 5:20; Col 3:17

C. "JESUS OUR LORD" EXPRESSES THIS RELATIONSHIP

Ephesians 6:24

See also 1 Co 15:57; 2 Co 8:9; Ga 6:14; Eph 5:20; 1 Th 5:28; 2 Ti 1:8

D. "IN THE LORD" AS AN EXPRESSION OF THIS RELATIONSHIP

Philemon 16

See also Ro 16:12; Eph 6:10; Php 1:14; Php 2:29; Php 3:1; Phm 20

E. THE "GRACE OF THE LORD" AS GOD'S PROVISION FOR THIS RELATIONSHIP

1 Timothy 1:14

See also 2 Co 13:14; 2 Th 3:18; Phm 25; 2 Pe 3:18; Jud 21

IV. JESUS CHRIST'S LORDSHIP SIGNIFIES HIS ABSOLUTE AUTHORITY

A. JESUS CHRIST AS JUDGE OF ALL

1 Corinthians 4:4

See also 1 Co 11:32; 2 Co 10:18; 1 Th 4:6; 2 Th 1:8–9

B. JESUS CHRIST AS LORD OF ALL

Romans 10:12

See also Ac 10:36; 1 Co 8:6; Php 2:10–11; Col 1:16–17

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GOD'S INVITATION AND PLAN OF SALVATION

HEAR - ROMANS 10:17

BELIEVE AND CONFESS - ROMANS 10:9-10

REPENT - LUKE 13:3

BE BAPTIZED - ACTS 2:38

REMAIN FAITHFUL - REVELATION 2:10

New to the Faith?

- First Principles

Have you fallen away from Faith

- Need to be Restored

My Decision Today

- I would like to be baptized today
- I would like to renew my life to Christ
- I would like to learn more about Jesus and the Bible

Questions: What are my next steps?

- Come forward to be baptized
- Request a Bible Study to learn more
- Attend Bible Class to grow and mature
- Find a place to serve others
- Apply today's lesson to my life