

# the LORD OF GLORY

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"And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God. For I determined not to know any thing among you, except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified. And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power; so that your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. However we speak wisdom among those who are perfect; yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nothing. But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory; and which none of the princes of this world knew. For had they known it, they would not have crucified the **Lord of Glory.** But as it is written, 'Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor has it entered into the heart of man, the things **which God** has prepared for those who love Him.'"  
(from Paul's letter: 1 Corinthians 2:4-9)

**Lord:** from the Greek word *Kurios* meaning: Lord; properly, a person exercising absolute ownership rights, thus being supreme in authority. Also and 'expressed' title of honor, respect, and reverence, with which servants salute their master: - lord, master.

**Glory:** from the Greek word *Doxes* meaning: The state of 'splendor' that causes: awe, fear, reverence, praise, and/or worship, within the sight and mindset of the beholder. Usually translated glory; but also sometimes: honor, praise, glorious. Specifically God's splendor. Often associated with shining brightness. (The root meaning: that 'state of majesty' or 'splendor' which brings to mind a good opinion.)

The context in which Paul uses this title, **Lord of Glory**, is within his discussion concerning the "Wisdom of God in a mystery: the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory." That mystery is Jesus Christ, and Him crucified; for our salvation and our glory in His eternal Kingdom. Consider these verses:

"For my eyes have seen Your Salvation, Which You have prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles, and **the Gory of Your People Israel.**"  
(Luke 2:14 - Simeon's words concerning the baby Jesus)

"And the Word (Jesus) was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His Glory, the **Glory** as of the Only Begotten of the Father, **full of grace and truth.**"  
(John 1:14)

"For He received from God the Father: Honor and Glory, when there came such a voice to Him **from the Excellent Glory,** 'This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.' " (II Peter 1:17)

**Christ's Glory** was manifested in many miraculous ways, here are just two examples:

"This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, **and manifested His Glory;** and His disciples believed on Him. (see John 2:1-11 - from when Jesus miraculously turned water into wine at the wedding feast in Cana)

"And it came to pass ... that He (Jesus) took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray. And as He prayed, the appearance of His countenance was altered, and His clothing was white and flashing like lightening. And, behold, there talked with Him two men, who were Moses and Elijah; who appeared in glory, and spoke of His decease which He would accomplish at Jerusalem. But Peter and they who were with Him were heavy with sleep; and when they awoke, they saw **His Glory,** and the two men that stood with Him." (Luke 9:28-32 – from the Transfiguration of Jesus story)

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But More than all the miracles, the Glory of the Lord Jesus is manifest in His current splendor and majesty where He now sits at the right hand of the Father; and will be further manifested at His Second Coming:

"Then He (Jesus) said unto them, 'O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken; ought not the Christ to have suffered these things, **and to enter into His Glory?**' And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, He expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning Himself." (Luke 24:26-27 – Jesus speaking to the two disciples just after His resurrection from the dead)

"God, who in times past, and in various manners spoke unto the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken unto us through His Son, whom He has appointed Heir of All Things, and through whom also He made the ages. **Who being the Brightness of His (the Fathers) Glory,** and the **Express Image of His (the Fathers) Person,** and upholding all things by the Word of His Power, when He (Jesus) had by Himself purged our sins, He sat down on the Right Hand of the Majesty on High." (Hebrews 1:1-3)

"Therefore God also has highly exalted Him (Jesus), and has given Him a Name which is above every name; so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; **and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the Glory of God the Father.**" (Philip. 2:9-11)

"For the Son of man shall come **in the Glory of His Father with His angels;** and then He shall reward every man according to his works." (Matthew 16:27)

"And **then shall appear the sign of the Son of Man (Jesus) in heaven;** and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and **they shall see the Son of Man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.**" (Matthew 24:30)

"And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands; Saying with a loud voice, **'Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and Glory, and blessing.'** And every creature who is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying, "Blessing, and honor, **and Glory,** and power, be unto Him (the Father) who sits upon the Throne, **and unto the Lamb (Jesus)** for ever and ever.' And the four beasts said, 'Amen.' And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped Him who lives forever and ever." (Revelation 5:11-14)

## JESUS is ... the Lord of Glory

**He left His Majestic Glory with the father when He was born in Bethlehem;  
He manifested His Glory on many occasions through His signs and wonders;  
He regained His Majestic Glory when He by Himself purged our sins,  
and sat down on the Right Hand of the Majesty on High!**

**And with the heavenly host we cry out, 'Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive  
power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and Glory, and blessing!  
NOW! And forever and ever - to the Glory of the Father and of the Son!  
Amen! and Amen!**