

WHO IS THIS RISEN LORD?

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Delight yourself in the Lord

Psalm 27: 4

The one thing I want from God, the thing I seek most of all, is the privilege of meditating in his Temple, living in his presence every day of my life, *delighting in his incomparable perfections and glory*

A King has Titles

Prince Charles

- Heir Apparent to the Crown
- His Royal Highness
- The Prince of Wales
- Knight of the Garter
- Duke of Cornwall
- Grand Master of the Order of Bath
- Knight of the Thistle
- Earl of Chester
- Lord of the Isles
- Prince and Great Steward of Scotland

1. Christ: the Creator

- **Colossians 1: 15-17**

- ¹⁵ Christ is the exact likeness of the unseen God. He existed before God made anything at all,^[a] and, in fact, ¹⁶ Christ himself is the Creator who made everything in heaven and earth, the things we can see and the things we can't; the spirit world with its kings and kingdoms, its rulers and authorities; all were made by Christ for his own use and glory. ¹⁷ He was before all else began and it is his power that holds everything together.

He created the stars and named them

Genesis 1: 16 “He also made the stars”

- Our galaxy 300,000 million stars like our sun
- Our galaxy one of 100,000 million galaxies
- For every grain of sand there is estimated to be one million stars

He created you and me

- Everything about you (and me) screams of uniqueness- there is no one else like you
- You are an Original Masterpiece designed the way you are for a purpose –being part of the body of Christ

2. Christ: our Hope of Glory

Colossians 1:26-27

- He has kept this secret for centuries and generations past, but now at last it has pleased him to tell it to those who love him and live for him, and the riches and glory of his plan are for you Gentiles, too. And this is the secret: *Christ in your hearts is your only hope of glory.*

3. Christ: source of all Wisdom and Knowledge

Collosians 2:2-3

For God's secret plan, now at last made known, is Christ himself. ³ In him lie hidden all the mighty, untapped treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

God's Heart and our Response

Psalm 81:10

- For it was I, Jehovah your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt. Only test me!^[c] Open your mouth wide and see if I won't fill it. You will receive every blessing you can use!

Psalm 78:41

- ⁴¹ Again and again they turned away and tempted God to kill them, and limited the Holy One of Israel from giving them his blessings.

4. Christ: Highest Ruler

Colossians 2: 10

He is the highest Ruler, with authority over every other power.

5. Christ: our Everything

Colossians 2:10

so you have everything when you have Christ, and you are filled with God through your union with Christ.

6. Christ: the Head of the Body, his Church

Colossians 1:18

He is the Head of the body made up of his people—that is, his Church—which he began; and he is the Leader of all those who arise from the dead,^[b] so that he is first in everything;

We are the Body of Christ

1 Corinthians 12: 12-25

Our bodies have many parts, but the many parts make up only one body when they are all put together. So it is with the “body” of Christ. ¹³ Each of us is a part of the one body of Christ.

- ¹⁴ Yes, the body has many parts, not just one part. ¹⁵ If the foot says, “I am not a part of the body because I am not a hand,” that does not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And what would you think if you heard an ear say, “I am not part of the body because I am only an ear and not an eye”? Would that make it any less a part of the body? ¹⁷ Suppose the whole body were an eye—then how would you hear? Or if your whole body were just one big ear, how could you smell anything?
- ¹⁸ But that isn’t the way God has made us. He has made many parts for our bodies and has put each part just where he wants it. ¹⁹ What a strange thing a body would be if it had only one part! ²⁰ So he has made many parts, but still there is only one body.
- ²¹ The eye can never say to the hand, “I don’t need you.” The head can’t say to the feet, “I don’t need you.”
- ²² And some of the parts that seem weakest and least important are really the most necessary. ²³ Yes, we are especially glad to have some parts that seem rather odd! And we carefully protect from the eyes of others those parts that should not be seen, ²⁴ while of course the parts that may be seen do not require this special care. So God has put the body together in such a way that extra honor and care are given to those parts that might otherwise seem less important. ²⁵ This makes for happiness among the parts, so that the parts have the same care for each other that they do for themselves. ²⁶ If one part suffers, all parts suffer with it, and if one part is honored, all the parts are glad.