



Open Heaven 18 October 2025 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 18 October 2025 devotional for today is **THE LORD**.

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TOPIC: THE LORD

MEMORISE:

Thus saith the LORD the maker thereof, the LORD that formed it, to establish it; the LORD is his name; Jeremiah 33:2

READ: Isaiah 42:5-8:

5 Thus saith God the LORD, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein:

6 I the LORD have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles;

7 To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house.

8 I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images.

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Who is a lord? A lord is someone you are required to submit to. A lord is someone you do not say "no" to. When people go to court, they address the judge as "my lord." Nobody in their right senses will dare argue with a judge after a verdict has been given in a law court. The only thing people can do if they don't like a verdict is to appeal to a higher court. However, to argue with a judge, whom they address as "my lord" in court, is unthinkable.

When a fellow surrenders his or her life to Jesus Christ, He not only becomes the fellow's saviour, He also becomes his or her Lord. As your Lord, Jesus is in control of your life. He determines what you do, where you go, and how you must behave. You don't have the liberty to speak anyhow again because He is now your Lord.

For instance, you cannot spend your money the way you like because you are no longer your own. When you understand the Lordship of Jesus and submit to Him as your Lord, you will enjoy the countless benefits of having Him as your Lord.

I have set the LORD always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope. Psalm 16:8-9

In the Scripture above, David knew God as his Lord and submitted to Him. He knew he was no longer in control of his life, so he was always setting the Lord before him. When you set the Lord before you in all you do, He will make sure nothing harms you; He will defend, protect, and preserve you. This Lord is the Lord of hosts, and He has all forces in heaven, on earth, and under the earth at His disposal. To submit to Him is to have everything He owns at your disposal.

The portion of Jacob is not like them; for he is the former of all things: and Israel is the rod of his inheritance: the LORD of hosts is his name. Jeremiah 51:19

Beloved, have you surrendered your life completely to Jesus Christ? Do you know Him as your Lord? Your success in life lies in knowing and submitting to God as Lord of all in your life.

REFLECTION

Is Jesus Christ the Lord of your life?

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Mark 12-13

HYMN 7: I AM THINE O LORD.

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COMMENTARY

MEMORISE: Jeremiah 33:2

“Thus saith the LORD the maker thereof, the LORD that formed it, to establish it; the LORD is his name.”

This verse is a powerful declaration of God’s sovereign identity as the Creator (maker), the Designer (formed it), and the Sustainer (to establish it). It is a reminder that the One who calls you to submission is the all-powerful Architect of all existence.

BIBLE READING: Isaiah 42:5-8

This passage unveils the majesty and purpose of the Lord:

v. 5: He is the Creator of the heavens and earth and the Giver of life and spirit.

v. 6: He calls His people in righteousness and holds them by the hand.

v. 8: **“I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another.”**

His Lordship is rooted in His unique, unparalleled glory and holiness.

The Supreme Lordship of Christ

Pastor E.A. Adeboye presents a foundational truth of the Christian faith: salvation is not merely an event but an exchange of ownership. When we surrender to Christ, we are not just accepting a Savior from sin; we are welcoming a Lord over our lives. His Lordship is the key to unlocking a life of divine protection, purpose, and provision.

What Does It Mean For Jesus To Be Lord?

- **Absolute Authority:** A lord, as illustrated by the courtroom judge, is one whose word is final. To call Jesus “Lord” is to relinquish your right to self-governance and to acknowledge His ultimate authority over every decision, action, and word (Luke 6:46).
- **Total Submission:** It means you no longer have the liberty to speak, spend, or live “anyhow.” Every area of your life—your finances, relationships, career, and speech—comes under His jurisdiction and command.
- **Unquestioning Obedience:** The only proper response to a lord’s command is obedience. Arguing or negotiating is “unthinkable.” The option, if any, is not disobedience but an appeal through prayer for deeper understanding.

The Benefits of Submitting to His Lordship

1. Unshakable Stability (Psalm 16:8-9):

When you “set the LORD always before you” (acknowledge His Lordship in every situation), you position yourself at His right hand—the place of power and favor. The result is that you “shall not be moved” by the storms of life. Your heart finds gladness and your soul finds rest.

2. Divine Protection and Defense:

The Lord is the “LORD of hosts” (Jeremiah 51:19)—the Commander of all heavenly armies. Submitting to Him means all the forces of heaven are mobilized for your defense, protection, and preservation. You are under the guardianship of Omnipotence.

3. Access to His Unlimited Resources:

To be yoked to the Lord of all is to have everything He owns at your disposal. His wisdom, power, and provision become available to you as you align your will with His.

The Critical Question of Surrender

The devotional ends with two piercing questions that every believer must answer:

1. **“Have you surrendered your life completely to Jesus Christ?”** This is about totality. Is there any area you are still withholding from His control?
2. **“Do you know Him as your Lord?”** This is about intimacy and revelation. It is possible to acknowledge His Lordship theologically without experiencing it practically.

Warning: The Danger of a Partial Surrender

To call Jesus “Savior” but refuse Him as “Lord” is to live in contradiction and rob oneself of the benefits of His full dominion. It is to remain on the throne of your own life, thereby choosing instability and vulnerability over the secure rest found in His Lordship.

Conclusion: The Place of Ultimate Safety

Pray this:

“Lord Jesus, I acknowledge You today not only as my Savior but as my Lord. I repent of every area of my life where I have withheld authority from You. From this day forward, I surrender completely. You have the final say over my finances, my relationships, my career, and my words. I set You always before me. Take Your rightful place on the throne of my heart and establish me in Your perfect will. Thank you for being my Lord. Amen.”

Action Steps:

1. **Conduct a Lordship Audit:** Identify one specific area of your life (e.g., finances, a relationship, a habit) where you have not fully submitted to Christ’s authority. Surrender it today.
2. **Practice Obedience:** The next time you feel a clear prompting from the Holy Spirit or Scripture, obey immediately without argument or delay.
3. **Declare His Lordship:** Begin each day by verbally affirming: “Jesus, You are my Lord today. I submit my will to Yours.”

4. **Study His Names:** Research the names of God (e.g., Jehovah Jireh, Jehovah Nissi) to understand the multifaceted benefits of His Lordship.

Remember: Your success, security, and peace in life are directly tied to your submission to the Lordship of Jesus Christ. He is not a tyrant; He is a benevolent and all-wise Master. To be under His authority is to be in the place of ultimate safety and provision.

“I have set the LORD always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.”
(Psalm 16:8). **This is the blessed life of the submitted heart.**

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