**Why Call Ye Me, Lord, Lord,**

**And Do Not The Things I Say**

**Luke 6:46**

Illustration of famous football player (Carnell Williams) I heard speak recently who called Jesus Lord in a very positive way, but then ended his speech with a cuss word (Eph 4:29). He called Jesus Lord, but he didn’t do the things Jesus says to do.

Illustration of friend at job who told a dirty joke, and when I called him on it, he said “God knows my heart”

Matt 15:17-19 “Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught? But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:”

* If we don’t practice God’s word, that proves our heart is in the wrong place
* My friend called Jesus Lord, but he didn’t make him Lord.

Missing church is an example of something people do who claim Jesus is Lord but don’t make him Lord.

Heb 10:25 “Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.”

Making Jesus Lord means we put him first, above fun, sport, even family and work

Matt 6:33 “But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.”

I John 2:3-5 “And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.”

* If we claim to love God, but don’t practice His law, we are a liar

James 2:10 “For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.”

* We need to obey all of God’s word, not just most of it

I John 3:22 “And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.”

* If you are not living in obedience to God, then don’t expect Him to answer your prayers

Heb 5:9 “And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;”

* Jesus is only the source of eternal salvation to those who obey Him

II Thess 1:8 “In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:”

* We have to know (believe in) God and obey the gospel to be saved

Matt 7:21 “Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.”

* Only those who do the will of God will go to heaven

I Pet 1:22 “Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth …”

* The very way we purify our soul is by obeying the truth