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MESSAGE ONE -

THE DEITY OF CHRIST

"And Thomas answered and said unto Him, MY Lord and MY God" (John 20:28).

Suppose anybody should talk like that to you and call you their "Lord" and their "God," what would you say? You'd say, "Excuse me, Sir, but you are a much mistaken man," You'd say what Peter said to Cornelius. You remember Cornelius was about to worship Peter and Peter took him by the hand and said, **"Stand up; I myself also am a man."**

But did you ever notice that JESUS never rebuked Thomas. He accepted his worship and commended him for it; and when He did it, He was either an arrogant and consummate hypocrite or He was the victim of a species of acute mental aberration or He was just what Thomas said he was; his **"Lord"** and his **"God."**

Who was JESUS?

Do you know there is not another question in all the realm of human thought quite so important as this one, unless it is the question of what you are going to do with JESUS after you find out who He is.

There are problems, of course, connected with the person of JESUS which no human intellect has ever fathomed or ever will. The greatest minds of the world have grappled with His deity and His incarnation and the general mystery that surrounds His personality, and their noble efforts have brought us much that satisfies and helps. But they have said one and all that their explorations have been like those of Sir Isaac Newton, who in his search after knowledge, said he seemed like a schoolboy walking by the sea-shore and picking up a pebble here and there while the vast deep rolled unexplored at his feet.

There's no doctrine that's been pounded like this one. Of course we can't agree on every little thing and I've absolutely no patience with these cramped and contracted heresy-hunters who are eternally whetting their theological razors and trying to split ecclesiastical hairs with a view to stirring up a muss because of some little deflection of doctrine on the part of somebody else.

But when it comes to the one thing upon which the whole system of our Christian religion rests, the deity, the divinity of JESUS CHRIST, we must be of one mind. This fundamental truth must

be accepted. Deny it and you knock the key-stone out of the arch and the whole thing comes down with a crash.

And now some fellow steps up and says, "Biederwolf, you're confusing your terms when you talk about deity and divinity in the same breath. Well, I'd like to know the difference between the two. There is but one who is divine and He is GOD, and if CHRIST was GOD, if the apostle John was right when he said, **"The Word was GOD . . . and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us"**, so then CHRIST and CHRIST alone was divine as GOD is divine.

If a difference between deity and divinity must be admitted let it not be the kind of difference that some people want to make, a difference that makes JESUS CHRIST less than He really is.

"Oh yes," says the Unitarian "I believe CHRIST was divine."

But how do you believe He was divine? I can believe that a rose is divine, or even a cat if you'll allow me to place my own definition on divinity.

Yes, Mr. Unitarian. tell US how you believe that CHRIST was divine.

"Oh," he says - and you know this is what the Unitarian says: if you don't know it, hear it now and never forget it - he says, "CHRIST was divine just as any other man is divine: that is, He had no distinctive divinity: He had no divinity peculiar to Himself such as other men do not have: He was a good man, the best man that ever lived, if you please: in this sense He had more divinity than any other man ever had, but it was only the same kind of divinity that you and I ourselves have."

Now if that isn't a true and fair representation of the Unitarian position concerning JESUS CHRIST, then I don't know "straight up" and can't read the English language in plain black and white.

But that at once robs JESUS CHRIST of His Saviourhood and strips Him of His power to redeem me from my sin.

I tell you, I want GOD to be my Saviour.

Say, do you know that the unbelievers of this world have tried to out-do each other in applauding the character of JESUS CHRIST.

Pilate called Him "The man without fault."

Diderot called Him "The Unsurpassed."

Napoleon called Him "The Emperor of Love."

David Strauss called Him "The highest model of religion."

John Stuart Mill called Him "The Guide of humanity."

Leckey called Him "The highest pattern of virtue."

Pecant called Him "The Holy One before GOD."

Martineau called Him "The divine Power of humanity."

Renan called Him "The greatest among the sons of men."

Theodore Parker called Him "The youth with GOD in his heart."
Francis Cobbe called Him "The regenerator of humanity."
Robert Owen called Him "The irreproachable."

But none or all of these will do.

Doesn't the Bible make it plain enough and doesn't your own conviction corroborate it, that no man however great or wise or good can save his own soul, much less the soul of any other man?

I sat in the home of a Unitarian minister in Alton, Ill.

I said to him, "Is the Bible the infallible Word of GOD?"

He said, "No, it is the fallible word of man."

I said, "Who was JESUS CHRIST?"

He said, "He was a good man who lived in Palestine."

I said, "Then He was not your Saviour."

He said, "No."

I said, "Have you got a Saviour?"

He said, "Yes."

I said, "Who is he?"

He said, "I am my own Saviour."

He was painfully consistent if nothing else. But that is the place where every man must stand who robs the only begotten Son of GOD of His deity and denies to Him any distinctive divinity which other human beings do not have.

But now on the scene comes the fool and says, "It's a mystery, this thing of the deity of CHRIST; let it alone; you can't believe what you can't understand!"

Well, so far as believing what you can't understand, don't you know that you do that every day?

And as for letting this mystery alone, you can't do it. There are other mysteries and you can let them alone, but this one you can't. Man is a religious animal and he simply cannot shake off his religious instincts; and right in the very center of the religion which faces every civilized human being is the person of JESUS CHRIST, asking today as He did in other days when He mingled among the men of Palestine, "What do you think of me? Who do men say that I am?"

That's the challenge of CHRIST Himself. and you can't evade it. You may try to evade it as Riuchl does; but an undefined CHRIST is no CHRIST at all. And so my friend, if you have

never done any careful consecutive thinking about JESUS CHRIST. I want to ask you to do it now.

If there ever was a time when both the world and the church needed a clean, clear, concise reaffirmation of the fundamental fact upon which Christianity rests and without we have nothing more than a creed as insipid and lifeless as the Humanitarianism of August Comte and a religion as effete and worthless as Matthew Arnold's "dilletante gospel of sweetness and light," that time is now.

What about the seething social unrest of our day?

- The anarchist crying. "To hell with social order:"
- The criminal decrying responsibility for existence:
- The toiling, struggling masses clamoring against what they believe to be the unjust and pathetic inequalities of the present day economic system:
- The scholastic testing everything under the searchlight of experiment:

Modern society which too often, alas, is little more than refined paganism - atheistic in head and superstitious in heart - seeking to relieve its sense of emptiness by horrible extremes of voluptuous indulgence? What about it?

Is it not true after all that the world's ache at the bottom is a heart-ache? What kind of a CHRIST then shall we give to it for the healing of its wounds and the rightening of its wrongs?

Shall we give it the CHRIST of John Stuart Mill? Shall we give it the CHRIST of Theodore Parker? The CHRIST of Renan? the CHRIST of Martineau? or shall we give it the CHRIST of GOD we find in the Gospels?

But after all the unhappiest feature of this unhappy controversy about "Who JESUS CHRIST was" is that the church herself needs the same clear, clean, concise reaffirmation of her own faith.

If the so-called evangelical ministry had only been more faithful to its ecclesiastical vow, the question mark which so many church members are putting before the deity of CHRIST would not be there today.

Some ministers preach as if this was a thing no longer essential to the Christian faith. Our churches are filled with members who know little if any difference between the Unitarian church and their own. Why is this? It is because we preachers have been remiss in defining the faith.

I held a campaign one time in a city where there was a Unitarian college and the ministers waited upon me upon my arrival and besought me to say nothing about Unitarianism. They were so mixed up with it in their churches that they feared friction might be the result. Of course I told them I expected to get my message from GOD. But until the absolute and vital and eternally uncompromising distinction between the Christian and Unitarian faith was made clear, hundreds of people came down the aisle and signed cards professing their faith in the Lord JESUS CHRIST as their personal Saviour - and at the same time stated their preference for the Unitarian church. Of course I had to tell them that was either no compliment to their intelligence or to my

preaching.

That the Bible writers claimed that CHRIST was divine and that CHRIST Himself claimed to be divine in a qualitative sense that no other man is divine there can be absolutely no doubt whatever.

Isaiah in so many words called Him, "**The mighty God, the everlasting Father.**" (Isaiah 9:6).

John said, "**The Word was GOD**", and "**the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us**" (John 1:1, 14).

Paul said He was "**God... manifest in the flesh.**" (I Timothy 3:16), and called Him "**The Lord of Glory**" (I Corinthians 2:8) and "**GOD... over all**" (Romans 9:5).

Say, could they have said all this about you or any other mere man?

A Unitarian preacher said to an evangelical clergyman, "If the doctrine of CHRIST's deity were true, I am sure so important a doctrine must have been revealed with a clearness no one could have mistaken."

"Well," said the clergyman, "What language would you have chosen?"

"I would have called him the true GOD," replied the Unitarian.

"That's right," said the old preacher, "and that's just what John did call Him; I John 5:20 '**even His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God.**'"

And then don't tell me that CHRIST didn't claim divinity different from that of any other man.

He called Himself the "**Only begotten Son of GOD**," and for this you know the Jews tried to stone Him to death one day and when JESUS said "What's this for?" they said, "Because you being a man claim to be equal with God and so make yourself to be God, and you're a blasphemer and you ought to die." (Matthew 26:63, 64; 27:43; Luke 22:70, 71; John 19:7; 5:18; 10:33).

Now I'll miss my guess if those old Jews who lived with Him and heard Him talk didn't know as much about what He claimed for Himself as the modern Unitarian or anybody else.

Why didn't JESUS CHRIST set them right if they were wrong in their estimate of what He claimed? Tell me, why didn't He, Mr. Unitarian? He owed it to Himself and to the world and by every principle of philanthropy and every law of decency He owed it to them to save them from the horrible murder they were contemplating. But He acquiesced in the charge and allowed it to stand in all of its repulsiveness to the Jewish mind and sealed His claim by His own heart's blood on the cross where they concerned Him to die because He said, "I am **the only begotten Son of God.**" Could you, a man, say that?

Of course He claimed to be just what the Jews said He did, and when He did it, He was either

what those Jews said He was, a blasphemer, or He was just that very person He claimed to be; unless He was a fool and didn't know any better.

He claimed His deity on the threefold ground of His divine knowledge, His divine power, and His divine authority.

I. As to His divine knowledge. He said, "**No man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father... but the Son, and he to whom the Son will reveal Him**" (Matthew 11:27 and Luke 10:22). What a daring, what a tremendous statement! How profane and how shocking if He were only a man! Would any mere man dare to say that he knew GOD as well as GOD knew him? Would you?

II. As to His divine power. Among other things He said these three.

1. That He had ability to do whatever the Father did. "**What things soever He (the Father) doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.**" What man ever used language so daring as that and claimed the full right and power to do all that the eternal Father had the right and power to do?

2. That He had the power to raise the dead. "**As the Father raiseth up the dead and quickeneth them; even so the Son quickeneth whom He will.**" He said He would raise up His own body (John 2:19-21), and that the day was coming when all the dead would hear His voice and come forth out of their graves. How could He do this if He were not GOD in some sense that no other man has ever been?

3. That He had power to forgive sins. He said so in so many words. The Jews were right when they asked. "**Who can forgive sins but GOD only?**" But CHRIST not only claimed the right and power to do so, but He emphasized His claim and proved it by a miracle.

III. As to His divine authority. He said in the plainest terms that He will be the Universal Judge at the last great day. He said, "**The Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son.**" He says that He "**shall sit in the throne of His glory**" and all shall be gathered before Him.

What mortal could say things like these? Who is this that professes to be able to scrutinize the thought and secret motives of men, to sit in judgment upon their words and their deeds and claims the authority to grasp and wield the divine thunderbolts of retribution if He be not something more than a man? Did ever man make a claim like that? Would you, a man, dare to make it?

These are only a few of His claims.

- He said, "**Before Abraham was, I am.**" Could you, a man, say that?
- He said, "**Oh Father, glorify Thou Me, with Thine own self with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was.**" Could a Roosevelt, a Gladstone or a Napoleon say that?
- He says to the weary soul, "**Come unto me... and I will give you rest.**" Could you, a man, say that?
- He says that faith in Him means eternal life. Could you, a man, say that?

- He said that He was sinless. He said, "**Which of you convinceth Me of sin?**" Could you or any other man say that?
- He not only allowed Thomas to worship Him as Lord and GOD, but He distinctly said in so many words, "All men should honor the Son, even as they honor the Father." Could you, a man, say that about yourself?
- He says He is coming again in the clouds with great glory. Could you, a man, say that?
- He says He is going to bring His holy angels with Him. How many angels are you, a man, going to bring with you?

A man who can read the New Testament and not see that CHRIST claims to be more than a man can look all over the sky at high noon on a cloudless day and not see the sun.

Oh, I know your verse. You say, "Didn't JESUS say, '**My Father is greater than I?**'" Yes, and GOD was greater than JESUS was in His humanity. But your verse knocks the props out from under your own argument. Because if JESUS was only a man, what need was there that He should tell us that His Father was greater than He was. Suppose you should get up and say, "GOD is greater than I am." We'd say, "Well, you fool, sit down: don't you suppose we know that!"

Now let us go a little farther. Why do I believe in the divinity of JESUS CHRIST?

1. I believe it, in the first place, for the reasons just given. Because the Bible writers said He was divine and because CHRIST Himself claimed that He was divine.

2. I believe it, in the second place, because of His matchless character. He never for a single second wavered in the sublime self-consciousness of who He was. And He delivered the goods. His God-like life was His answer to every questioning or uncertain soul.

Then look at the universality of His character, its completeness and its moral perfection.

Born in a particular race and in a particular age, the whole world in our age as well as in His has found in Him its ideal and the answer to its every spiritual appeal.

Every man has some good points but JESUS CHRIST had them all; and He had them all in absolute perfection. He was the only impenitent man that ever lived. And He died that way. He prayed for others and said, "**Father, forgive them,**" but He never prayed for Himself and said, "Father, forgive me," because there was nothing in His life for which He needed to be forgiven.

Matchless character of JESUS!

3. I believe it, in the third place, because of His masterly teaching.

"**Never man spake like this man.**" That's what the officers said when they came to arrest Him, and they were right.

If the books that have been written about His words were gathered up they would fill a thousand Congressional libraries, but His words alone would hardly make a vest-pocket edition. But their

heights have never been scaled; their depths have never been sounded.

The infidel comes along and sets up the teachings of Confucius and Buddha over against that of JESUS CHRIST, but I challenge the comparison. I know great truths fell from their lips and that the non-Christian religions have many ethical utterances worthy of profound admiration. But we have conceded too much.

Take the teachings of JESUS CHRIST about the great fundamental ethical conceptions, such as love and truth and purity and duty, and where in any non-Christian religion or when on the lips of any non-Christian teacher did the world ever see or hear moral philosophy so profound, so radiant with divine glory and so godlike as that which came from the heart and mind of this marvelous Man of Galilee.

Masterly teaching of JESUS!

4. I believe it, in the next place, because of His marvelous influence.

The biggest proof of the deity of CHRIST is just Christianity itself. Harnack's book, "*The Expansion of Christianity*," does not allow the deity of CHRIST, but read it and tell me how such things could ever be wrought save by a power divine.

What did Darwin mean when he said, "A man about to be shipwrecked on some unknown coast will devoutly pray that the lesson of the missionary will have reached that far?" He meant that where the Gospel has not gone civilization has not gone, and such a shipwrecked man would likely find himself in the soup tureen of a tribe of husky cannibals.

Take Christianity out of civilization; take it out of art, music, literature, and most of all out of the human heart and life, and you'd have mighty little left worthy of the name.

Confucianism, Buddhism and Mohammedanism have proven by their results that their founders were not divine, but to account for Christianity on any other basis than divinity is a historical impossibility. You might as well go out with a tallow candle to illuminate a golden sunset. You might as well try to paint a Sistine Madonna with a charcoal pencil.

What JESUS CHRIST always has been He is today, the transformer of the world's life, the reconstructor of human society, the animator of human progress, the one Master Molder of the world's civilization. And by this I know that He is divine.

Marvelous Influence of JESUS!

5. I believe it, in the next place, because of His mighty work.

JESUS said, "**The same works that I do, bear witness of Me, that the Father hath sent Me.**" Look at His miracles and like Nicodemus you will have to say that GOD was incarnate in the man who did such wonderful things.

Look at the greatest of them all: His resurrection. There is no better attested fact in history. I am

more certain that JESUS rose from the dead than I am that there ever was a Declaration of Independence or that the battle of Bunker Hill was ever fought.

But greater after all than these are the miracles of His grace; and these He is doing today as in the days of old.

He is redeeming all kinds of people, the good, or rather what we call the good, as well as the bad.

- He takes the rich and shows them how really poor and naked they are.
- He takes the self-sufficient and shows them how really dependent they are.
- He takes the moral man and the moral woman, strips them of the worthless rags of self-righteousness and redeems them one and all to a new and powerful life.

Yes, and He does the same thing for the rouge and the debauchee and the drunken sot. The chemists of the Standard Oil Company took the black, foul, filthy and stinking residue of the refinery and made it into pure, white, transparent paraffin. That's wonderful enough. Yet a man can do it.

- But a man can't take a human heart that's black with sin and make it clean and white like snow;
- he can't take a human character befouled and besmirched with the pollution of hell and transform it into one of the world's mightiest instruments for righteousness.

It takes GOD to do that.

He takes a poor, staggering, drunken river-thief and transforms him into a man of whom the pastor of the great Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church of New York City said that he had more power for GOD over the people of that metropolitan city than all the pastors combined. and whose death brought endless streams of people, rich and poor, who piled flowers on his coffin so high that they hid the pulpit, and beneath that pyramid of flowers slept Jerry McAuley.

He takes a rough and godless safe-blower with a kit of burglar tools wrapped up in a piece of carpet and transforms him into a Harry Monroe.

He takes a poor drunken barber who had left his wife with her dead baby in the hovel he had made for them while he rolled in the gutter on a beastly drunk, and by the working of His mighty SPIRIT He makes him over into a Mel Trotter.

He took Saul the murderer and the blatant bigot and made him into Paul the mighty Apostle and the greatest preacher the world has ever known.

He took Augustine, a young libertine and sport of Rome and made him into St. Augustine, the greatest theologian of his or any other age.

He took John Bunyan, the drunken, swearing tinker, touched his heart and mind and John Bunyan wrote for us the "*Pilgrim's Progress*."

Try to explain such marvelous transformations of human character apart from the mighty miracle working power of the Lord JESUS CHRIST and you do violence to reason, insult the memory of

all these godly men and pour contempt upon the name of the CHRIST who saved them.

When a student in Princeton University I went down into the lower part of New York City and worked in the old Jerry McAuley mission. I there met that marvelous man, Samuel Hopkins Hadley, and learned from him the story of his wonderful conversion. How I used to like to sit and hear him tell it. He said. "I was a bad man and I wanted to be good. I wanted to be honest, but I was crooked. I wanted to pray, but I was always cussing. I wanted to be truthful. but I was a liar. I wanted to be sober, but I couldn't stay on the water-wagon. And I said. 'What am I to do?'

My ideals are all right but I can't reach them. What must I do to be saved?"

Yes, Sir, that's the great question. If you have never asked it. I pray GOD you may ask it tonight.

- The Universalist comes along and says, "Quit your meanness, but you'll be saved anyhow if you do your best."
- The Theosophist comes in on the scene and says, "Aspire and you'll be a GOD in a few million years."
- The Spiritualist bobs up and says, "Wait till you are disembodied and you can make better progress."
- The Christian Scientist smiles and says, "Sin has no reality; you've nothing to be saved from; so don't worry."
- The Unitarian makes his bow and says, "Be good and you'll come out all-right."

But Hop Hadley had tried to be good long enough and never got anywhere. And he said, "I'm sick of sin; I'm burdened with guilt and I want the burden to roll off. I want peace; and I want to be good and I want an assurance that will stand the test of life and death and eternity."

Then JESUS CHRIST, the mighty Saviour, whom GOD sent, walked out and stood before him. Yes, He did; for Hop said, "I saw Him. He stood before me and said, 'I can do all this for you; will you let me do it?'" It was in a saloon at the corner of One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Street and Third Avenue, and my dear friend of sainted memory walked up to the bar and struck it with his fist and said, "I'll never take another drink if I die." And the great big, hog-jowled, red-nosed son of perdition behind the bar laughed in his face and told him to "go to hell." And Hop staggered out into the night and staggered around until he found a cop and said to him" "Officer, I'm going to have delirium tremens; won't you please lock me up in a cell and whatever you do, don't give me any whiskey."

The officer locked him up in a cell and if ever a man spent a night in hell, poor Hop Hadley went through it all that night. Late in the afternoon of the next day he asked to have the cell door opened and he went out so weak he could scarcely walk. As he walked by the saloons that glared at him on every side he said he could smell the whiskey clear through the bottle and the window pane. And for refuge he went into the mission where Jerry McAuley was telling how JESUS met him and saved him from his wild, thieving, drunken career. He made his way trembling down to the front and knelt down with a number of other drunkards. There was one woman among them. And Jerry McAuley prayed and said, "Dear JESUS, the Devil has got these men in an awful hole; won't you help them out?"

Then he told them to pray and Hop tells the rest of the story.

He said, "This poor man cried and the Lord heard him. I said, 'JESUS, I'm a drunkard; can You make me sober? JESUS, I'm unclean; can You make me pure? JESUS, I'm profane and I'm a blasphemer; can You help me to pray? JESUS, I'm lost; can You save me?'"

And JESUS said, "I can and I will," and like the mighty CHRIST He is He took the poor, worthless, drunken bum, redeemed him by His infinite power and made him one of the mightiest apostles to the outcast the world has ever known.

Yes, it takes someone who is more than a man to redeem humanity like that.

And I can see vast multitudes gathered around His standard from every quarter of the globe, the rich, the refined and the intelligent; the poor and the unlettered and the redeemed of every kind; the millions who Napoleon Bonaparte said would die for JESUS; and they shout in one glad, grateful voice, "This is the CHRIST we know; the CHRIST who saves like GOD; blessed be His holy name!"

Men and women, listen to me; Has He ever touched your life? Do you want a Saviour like that - a CHRIST who is omnipotent, One who, **"being in the form of God... took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men. And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name: 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!"**

There is a verse of Scripture which says, **"What shall the end be of them that obey not the Gospel of God?"**

But now right here in this life, you can't afford to live without Him.

What are you going to do when your conscience walks out in front of you and points its accusing finger at you?

What are you going to do when misfortune and the waves of adversity overwhelm you?

What are you going to do when the undertaker comes and takes the measure for the little shroud?

What are you going to do in the night of despair when the stars are dead?

But the end is coming just the same and what are you going to do then?

I have looked as if in a dream through the gates of Heaven. I stood, as it were, by an angel's side who was there to guard the way. And as I stood there the spirit of a rich man came and tried to get admission. He told the angel of his wealth and the vast treasures he had gathered on earth. But the angel pointed to his gold and said, "We pave our streets with that stuff; you have not got

enough to buy even a glimpse into the celestial city." And then a moral man came and told the angel who he was, told him of his morality and talked of the good works he had done. But the angel said, "**Not of works, lest any man should boast:** you can't come in." Then came the spirit of another man and laid before the angel his respectability, his reputation and talked of the good name he had borne among his neighbors. But the angel shook his head and said, "**There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved** but the name of Jesus." And then there came the spirit of another one saying,

"Nothing in my hands I bring:
Simply to the cross I cling."
The blood of JESUS CHRIST hath cleansed me from sin."

And the gates of Heaven rolled back on their jeweled hinges and the angel cried, "Unto you is administered an abundant entrance into the everlasting Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour JESUS CHRIST." And as the gates rolled back I saw whole armies of redeemed drunkards and numberless legions of those redeemed from the vilest sinks of sin, and whole acres of redeemed men and women who once had trusted in their morality and their good name but gave it all up for a righteousness not their own. And they had crowns on their heads and palms of victory in their hands: and I saw one whose face and form I could not mistake, One like unto JESUS, and He ascended the throne and the vast throngs whom no man could number took their crowns and cast them at His feet and they waved their palms, and I heard them cry and they said, "**Wonderful! Counsellor! the Mighty GOD! the Everlasting Father! the Prince of Peace!**"

All hail the power of JESUS' Name,
Let angels prostrate fall!
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of All."

Will you crown Him your Lord tonight?

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