JESUS CHRIST IS LORD: JESUS CHRIST IS THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH Colossians 1:18

Why is Christ the head? Col. 1:18

- Because He <u>gives</u> life, control and leadership. Col. 1:18;
 Eph. 1:22-23; 4:15; 5:22-23; Col. 2:19; 1 Cor. 12:4-27; Eph. 4:11-17;
 2 Pet. 3:18; 1 Cor. 3:1-3; 6:19-20
- Because He is the <u>beginning</u> (founder and foundation). Col. 1:18;
 Matt. 16:17-18; 1 Cor. 3:11; 1 Pet. 2:4-8; Eph. 2:20; Heb. 12:2
- Because of the resurrection that brings <u>existence</u>, energy and power. Col. 1:18; 2 Cor. 5:17; 2 Pet. 1:4; Rom. 6:4; 1 Cor. 15:4; Eph. 1:19-20; 2:5; 1 John 4:4; Phil. 4:13

What is the result of His headship? Col. 1:18

- <u>Unity</u>—believers on the same page, in the same book, with the same purpose. Eph. 4:4-6; John 17:11, 21, 23; 1 Cor. 12:9, 11-14
- Services—<u>ministry</u> within the Body of Christ. 1 Cor. 12:1-31;
 Gal. 5:22-23; Rom. 12:4-8; Eph. 4:11-12
- Sharing—missions <u>outside</u> the Body of Christ. Acts 1:8;
 Matt. 28:19-20

What we need to do to make Him the head. Col. 1:18

- He is the absolute head in <u>all</u> things and in everything. Col. 1:18;
 Josh. 24:15; 2 Cor. 8-9; 2 Tim. 4:6; 2 Pet. 3:18; Eph. 4:11-17
- He <u>deserves</u> our submission. Matt. 6:33; 21:24; Eph. 1:19-20; Luke 9:23; Rom. 12:1-2
- He deserves our <u>total</u> and complete commitment. Gal. 2:20;
 Phil. 1:21; Luke 9:23