



LORD, I WANT TO  
**KNOW YOU**

A STUDY BASED OFF THE BOOK BY KAY ARTHUR

## *Adonai: The Lord*

We live in a day and age where the idea of “lordship” over another person generally makes us cringe. We’re proud, independent, and totally sufficient! Who dare “lord” over us?! While this is an understandable mindset when it comes to general humanity, we can’t let this thinking slide into our relationship with God. He is Adonai, our Lord and Master.

While we are blessed to live in the knowledge and confidence of forgiveness and eternal life in Heaven through Jesus, that does not mean we are not called and commanded to obey Him. Kay Arthur writes, “The lordship of God means His total possession of me and my total submission to Him as Lord and Master... Only a servant can be totally dependent on his master to meet all his needs.” It is a relationship. Our Adonai loves us and cares for us. He gives us commands and sets standards in His goodness. He knows that no earthly relationship, no fleeting moment of satisfaction, nothing can compare to being in right relationship with Him. His honor and glory come first in our lives.

## *In the Bible*

**Psalm 119:125**

I am your servant; give me understanding,  
that I may know your testimonies!

## **Luke 6:43-49**

43 “For no good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit, 44 for each tree is known by its own fruit. For figs are not gathered from thornbushes, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush. 45 The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

46 “Why do you call me ‘Lord, Lord,’ and not do what I tell you? 47 Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you what he is like: 48 he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built. 49 But the one who hears and does not do them is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the stream broke against it, immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great.”

## *Questions*

- 1.) How do you feel being told to “submit” and/or “obey” a master? Do those feelings change at all if the master is God? Why or why not?
- 2.) What does lordship of God over man mean?
- 3.) Can you think of examples in the Bible where people obeyed their Lord even when it sounded crazy, even when they didn’t want to?
- 4.) Why is it important to know God as Adonai before you call on Him as El Shaddai?
- 5.) Read Matthew 7:21-27 and answer the questions on page 53 in “Lord I Want to Know You.”