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What would be a uniquely, modern, American way of expressing the 4th century understanding that Jesus had "One Person, One Spirit, but Two Natures"...? Jesus was 100% human and 100% Divine not two different spirits (since the spirit animating His flesh was already His Holy Spirit), but He had both His essential human-ness and His essential God-ness working together in perfect unity Well, that's what they meant by it, at least...

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 Read Romans 1:7
 How did Paul address his letter to the church?
 The word he used here was kúpioc ("Kyrios" or "Lord"—a term of respect for one's social superior, adapted from the original root word "kúpoc"—"kuros" or "supremacy")





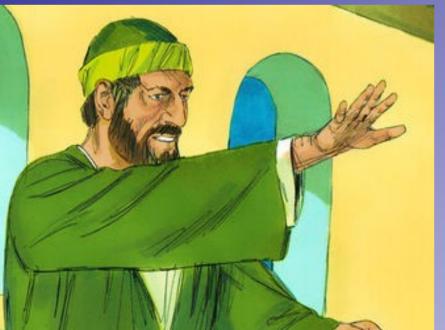
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 How did Peter express the extent of that supremacy in verses like Acts 2:36 or Acts 10:36?

 - How did John later dial that up to 11 in verses like Revelation 19:16?
 - Jesus is rightfully the "βασιλεύς βασιλέων" ("King of kings") and the "κύριος κυρίων" ("Lord of lords") —so what does that mean for us?



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So is this like "Vampires can't touch crosses" or "the Devil can't quote Scripture without bursting into flame" —a superstitious litmus test based on all entities' essential inability to express spiritual untruths?
No one who Truly has the Holy Spirit in them is going to Truly curse Christ and no one can genuinely, Truly express and live out the Lordship of Christ in their life unless they Truly have the Holy Spirit within them
So how does Paul's point here work its way out in our everyday life?



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 Read Romans 10:4-5, 8-10
 What does Paul say that we need to do in order to be saved? Is it by being righteous enough to merit salvation by our works?



How does he then support and explain his assertions in verses 9-10 by his quotes from Isaiah 28:16 and Joel 2:32 in verses 11 and 13?

