

*2025/26 Sunday school Year - Lesson 6*



# JESUS CHRIST THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH

*RCCG The Sanctuary Stratford, London*



# Text: Col. 1:15-18

**Memory Verse:** *And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence - Col. 1:18*





# OUTLINES

- \* *INTRODUCTION & TEXT REVIEW*
- \* *THE CHURCH, THE BODY OF CHRIST*
- \* *ROLE OF CHRIST AS THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH*
- \* *CONCLUSION*



# INTRODUCTION & TEXT REVIEW

- \* *Christ is the Head of the Church, which is His Body. Just as the physical body has a functional head, Christ's position as Head is not negotiable*
- \* *It is permanent because it pleased the Father that the fullness of the Godhead dwell in Christ*
- \* *The Body has closely linked members that have unique ability and function as given by God. This network can be linked to various organs and systems in the physical body.*
- \* ***Text Review: Col. 1:15-18***



# THE CHURCH, THE BODY OF CHRIST

- \* *The Church is not a location, building or denomination, social status or any other classification, rather the church consists of people who have accepted the Lordship of Jesus Christ for the salvation of their souls. Jesus Himself is the chief cornerstone “built” on the foundation of the apostles and prophets **Ephesians 2:20.***
- \* *The **Church is the Body of Christ** - we are His members, His very Flesh and Bones, there is one Bode, one Spirit, one Hope, one Lord, one faith, one baptism; and one God and Father of all - **Ephesians 4:3-6***
- \* *Each member of Christs’ body must relate to other members in love, gentleness and humility to be effective. No one is to think of himself higher than they are or deceive others, rather they should spend time forgiving, encouraging others.*
- \* *We should pray sincerely for each other when a member hurts and rejoice when a member rejoices **Rom. 12:15.** We must be firmly knit together for the body to function effectively - **Eph. 4:15-16***



***FOR DISCUSSION***

*What Role Does Christ Play As the  
Head of the Church?*



# ROLE OF CHRIST AS THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH

- \* **Christ Gives Life to the Church:** *Christ is the head of the church, the Saviour of the Body , paid the price for our redemption in full - Gal. 5:24; Col. 3:3-4; 2 Cor. 5:17; Rev. 1:6*
- \* **Christ Sanctifies His Body** - *Christ cleanse the church by washing us from our sins His own blood. Jesus gave all to sanctify and deliver us to Himself by the washing of water by the Word of God - Eph. 5:26-27*
- \* **Christ Leads and gives growth** - *Christ provides leadership to the church in a loving rather than a domineering way. Christ nourishes and grows His Church by giving the Church ministry workers as gifts to the Body. Evidence of maturity in the members of the Body is the fruit of the Spirit - Eph. 4:11-14; Matt 23:10; Acts 16:6-10; Rev. 3:3; Rom. 8:14*



# ROLE OF CHRIST AS THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH

- \* ***Christ unites the church and gives her a corporate identity*** - The Holy Spirit baptises the believers into the Body and supplies the adhesive of love and peace that holds members together, we are all expected to fully submit to Christ instead of leaning on their own understanding - **Prov. 3:5-8**
- \* ***Christ gives the church her authority and mandate*** - Jesus Christ has been given all authority in heaven and on earth. As head, he has given authority to His body - the church - to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and sickness **Matt. 10:1; Lk. 10:19; Eph. 3:10 and Matt. 28:19-20**



# CONCLUSION

*Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church - His Body, we have fellowship with the Father as we live united in Christ, regardless of race and culture - 1 Cor. 11:3*