Man: Who Do I Worship - God the Father or Jesus Christ His Son?

Observe this confusing issue – whose treasured possession of this kingdom of priests and holy nation is this? Who has the authority?

5) Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; 6) and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel." (Ex 19:5-6, ESV)

All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. (Matt 11:27, ESV; Luke 10:22)

- 35) The Father loves the Son and has given all things into his hand. 36) Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him. (John 3:35-36, ESV)
- 36) But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. 37) All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. 38) For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. 39) And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. (John 6:36-39, ESV)
- 2) And behold, some people brought to him a paralytic, lying on a bed. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." 3) And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." 4) But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? 5) For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? (Matt 9:2-5, ESV; Mark 2:5-11; Luke 5:18-24)
- 7) And if you had known what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice,' you would not have condemned the guiltless. 8) For the Son of Man is lord of the Sabbath." (Matt 12:7-8, ESV)
- 21) For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will. 22) For the Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son, 23) that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him. (John 5:21-23, ESV)
- 35) Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" 36) He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" 37) Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you." 38) He said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him. (John 9:35-38, ESV)
- 13) "I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. 14) And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed. (Dan 7:13-14, ESV)
- 1) I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: 2 preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. (2 Tim 4:1-2, ESV)
- 10) Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. 11) For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (2 Pet 1:10-11, ESV)

Observe this confusing issue – who is doing all the work?

42) And when it was day, he departed and went into a desolate place. And the people sought him and came to him, and would have kept him from leaving them, 43) but he said to them, "I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns as well; for I was sent for this purpose." (Luke 4:42-43, ESV)

But the testimony that I have is greater than that of John. For the works that the Father has given me to accomplish, the very works that I am doing, bear witness about me that the Father has sent me. (John 5:36, ESV)

For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. (John 6:38, ESV)

- 49) For I have not spoken on my own authority, but the Father who sent me has himself given me a commandment—what to say and what to speak. 50) And I know that his commandment is eternal life. What I say, therefore, I say as the Father has told me." (John 12:49-50, ESV)
- 1) When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, 2) since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. 3) And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. 4) I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. 5) And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed. (John 17:1-5, ESV)
- 28) After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." 29) A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. 30) When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. (John 19:28-30, ESV)

How does God's word explain this confusion? Who do you worship?

63) But Jesus remained silent. And the high priest said to him, "I adjure you by the living God, tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God." 64) Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven." (Matt 26:63-64, ESV; Mark 14:61-62; Luke 22:66-69)

So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. (Mark 16:19, ESV)

- 8) And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. 9) Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10) so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11) and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (Phil 2:8-11, ESV)
- 24) Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. 25) For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. 26) The last enemy to be destroyed is death. 27) For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. 28) When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all. (1 Cor 15:24-28, ESV)
- 22) And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. 23) And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. (Rev 21:22-23, ESV)