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Our God is a loving God. He has proved His love to us over and over again. But, He is also LORD. He is in absolute control. As we walk through His Word, we will see His hand at work and His will be done. Come join me on this journey.

Because God is LORD:

We must begin this journey by settling the fact that God is LORD over all of creation. Col. 1:16-17, "For by Him all things were <u>created</u> that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were <u>created</u> through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together."

The Greek word for *created* is **ektisthe** which means *to make out of nothing, to shape it into form.* One commentator put it this way; *only God could make something that was not there, be there.* What an incredible power that would be able to speak the universe into being. To be able to do this, He has proven His mighty power, wisdom and ability. No other person, power or authority could do what He has done. Everything that exists, exists because of Him. Every bird, insect, tree, blade of grass, star in the sky, sand on the seashore, hair on your head, cell in your body or atom in the universe was created by His Word.

The fact is that nothing would be in existence unless God planned and proclaimed it to be so. As a result, He demands and deserves to be LORD over all. Rev. 4:11, "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."

Dear Father, we acknowledge You as LORD of all. You are the King, the Ruler of all there is. In You we find all wisdom, knowledge and power. We exalt You above all things. Praise You! In Jesus Name, Amen