

Aug. 1, 2021 "Jesus Christ Is Lord!" Rev. James C. Covert

Years ago when our family lived in Wisconsin, I had the task of coordinating the Vacation Bible School at the congregation I was serving. One of the big events we planned was having a big parade where all the kids and adults participating in Bible School would march outside around the church building shouting out praises to Jesus and make some noise, so everyone outside could hear. All of the classes made up fancy signs and put together some noisemakers, got some kazoos, and got ready to remind the world about Jesus.

We gathered outside and I took up the lead. We marched around the church being as loud as we could. When we got to the street in front of the church, people driving by began to honk their horns and we even had a big truck blow its horn. Everybody had a terrific time.

Now you may note that the title of this sermon tells why we had this parade and I am challenging you to make a little noise and shout out "Jesus Christ is Lord!" If we are calling ourselves Christian, we need to remind others about why. We are following Jesus and we do so, because "Jesus Christ is Lord!"

Each morning when I get up, I drink a cup of water and do so while I walk inside my house. I may start humming the tune of a hymn and don't just walk. I start adding some dance steps. Then I might whistle or grab my vitamin container and shake it to the rhythm. One can do something like this at any time of the day. Get the family together and form your own special praise band.

What we're trying to do is take a little time to put our faith into action and let the world know why we follow the Lord Jesus and this can be done no matter what the circumstances are. No matter if we're feeling down or bored, "Jesus Christ is Lord!" No matter if

we're with people who don't believe or think were nuts, "Jesus Christ is Lord!" No matter what our age is, where we go to school, our job, our disagreements or our agreements, we are the people of God and we are to be a light to the world. Make some noise and let the world know: "Jesus Christ is Lord!" AMEN.