



“Lord, Lord” Comparison Chart

Theme	Matthew 7:21–23	New Testament Parallels	Old Testament Parallels
Empty confession	“Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord’ will enter the kingdom...”	Luke 6:46 – “Why do you call me ‘Lord, Lord,’ and not do what I say?”	Isaiah 29:13 – “This people draw near with their mouth... but their hearts are far from me.”
Claiming works in God’s name	“Did we not prophesy in your name... cast out demons... do mighty works?”	Matthew 25:11–12 – Foolish virgins cry, “Lord, Lord, open to us,” but are shut out.	Hosea 8:2–3 – “Israel cries to me, ‘My God, we know you,’ but Israel has rejected the good.”
Rejected by the Lord	“I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.”	Titus 1:16 – “They profess to know God, but deny Him by their works.”	Ezekiel 33:31 – “With their mouth they show much love, but their hearts pursue their own gain.”
True obedience required	“...but the one who does the will of my Father will enter.”	Romans 10:9 – Confessing “Jesus is Lord” must be joined with faith in the heart.	Deuteronomy 10:12–13 – “What does the Lord require of you, but to fear... walk... love... serve... keep His commandments?”

Key Notes

- **Repetition “Lord, Lord”** = urgency + a claim of closeness.
- In the **NT**, it highlights *false discipleship* (lip service without obedience).
- In the **OT**, it mirrors *Israel crying out to Yahweh* while living in rebellion.
- The one OT passage where God Himself says **“The LORD, the LORD”** (Exodus 34:6) contrasts man’s false cry: God is truly faithful, but many who call Him “Lord” are not.