Paul in his letter to the Romans, teaches the necessity of six steps of obedience to the good news preached by Jesus...

The passages below contain Paul's words in Romans, and the words of Jesus in the four gospels. Check them out in your own Bible.

1. Hearing Christ's word
   (Romans 10:8-17, Matthew 7:24).

2. Believing — having faith
   (Romans 1:16-17, John 3:16)

3. Repentance from sin
   (Romans 2:4-5, 6:1-2, Luke 5:31-32)

4. Confessing Christ
   (Romans 10:8-10, Matthew 10:32)

5. Being baptized
   (Romans 6:3-4, Mark 16:15-16)

6. Ongoing commitment

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Jesus is "the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the end, the First and the Last... he who is and who was and who is to come (Rev 1:8,11,17, 2:8, 3:14). Time is under God's authority (Acts 1:7).

Jesus rules time; it does not rule him. He has "dominion forever and ever" (Rev 1:6) and lives in eternity. The visions of Revelation represent time from that eternal perspective.

Of course there is also the personal perspective. Jesus is in control of your time, however much of it you are granted.