

For Us And Our Salvation

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II. In the Form of God, Taking the Form of a Servant

- A. In the form of God, He did not need to grasp...
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- C. Our sin diseased humanity, we only look separate

III. Obedient To Point of Death, Even Death On Cross

- A. His baptism demonstrated his mission...
- B. The scapegoat and sacrificial lamb...
- C. The innocent suffering can atone for our sins!

Parting Shot – The name bestowed on the Incarnate Son of God brings about the most glorious “bending of the knee” imaginable, the question before all of us, do we come to the Savior in humble willingness, or in undeniable admission when it is regrettably too late! In Hebrews 3 we read, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your heart!” The refusal to believe

Portion Devoted to last Week: Mt 8 of 28 chpts 29% // Mk 6 of 16 37% // Lk 6 of 24 25% // in Jn; 9 of 21 42%

Creed: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. ...

1 Cor 1:23 But we preach Christ crucified...

1 Cor 2:2 For we decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.

Jn 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Jn 1:14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us... (Creed)

Philippians 2:5-11 ESV

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⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Ro 5:17 If, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

“Human beings look separate because you see them walking about separately. But then we are so made that we can see only the present moment. If we could see the past, then of course it would look different. For there was a time when every man was part of his mother, and (earlier still) part of his father as well, and when they were part of his grandparents. If you could see humanity spread out in time, as God sees it, it would look like one single growing thing--rather like a very complicated tree. Every individual would appear connected with every other.” – C S Lewis “Mere Christianity”

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1 Pt 2:24 He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree.

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Rev 1:7 Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

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