

Discipleship

(11) The Call for Humble Servants

Phil 2:5-11

5 Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, 6 who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men. 8 Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. 9 For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. NASU

Have this attitude...2:5-8a

Comment on **2:6**: *morphe* of God, then took the *morphe* of a bond-servant. (=essential form)

What did Christ primarily *empty Himself* of in His humanity? **Mt.4:3, 27:40; Jn.5:30;9:28-32**

How has this truth been proclaimed before? **Mt.12:15-21 (Is.42:1-4); Is.53:11; Jn.13:3-14**

What was the *likeness* of the *morphe* of a bond-servant? **2:7b; Heb.2:14-18, 4:14-16**

And finally, what was His physical *appearance* (schemati)? **2:8 Is.53:1-3; Jn.1:14, 10:33**

The ultimate humility, our Example...2:8b-11

From bond-servant of the Father to being a man, what's the next step? **2:8b; Heb.12:2**

And what point does Paul emphasize about His death? **2:8b; Gal.3:13; Heb.12:2**

Because of the total humility of Christ, what has the Father already begun? **2:9; Jn.13:31-32**

How powerful is this Name? **2:10-11; Eph.1:20-23; Col.1:18; IPet.3:22**

Is any created being left out of this worship of Jesus? **2:10; Rev.18:11-15**

And what is one of the *guaranteed* results of this worship? **2:11b; Jn.12:28, 13:31, 17:1**

And, why does Paul teach these astounding truths to us? **2:5; 2:2-4; Rom.12:14-21**

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Christ always was, is, will be == God! He now is, always will be == Servant. Jn.1:1-5

What did Christ primarily empty Himself of in His humanity? **Mt.4:3, 27:40; Jn.5:30;9:28-32**

He emptied Himself of His self-benefiting rights/privileges as God. Became bond servant

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He is The Servant. That is one of His Names. And He is our example of a bond-servant!

What was the likeness of the *morphe* of a bond-servant? **2:7b; Heb.2:14-18, 4:14-16**

He was found in human 'homoioima', likeness. Not just in appearance but in reality .

And finally, what was His physical appearance (schemati)? **2:8 Is.53:1-3; Jn.1:14, 10:33**

The Servant (basic essence) has human likeness and now appears (physically) as a man.

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He humbles Himself before men! Rejected, considered a criminal, submits to death.

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Even death on a cross! Forbidden form of execution for citizens. Reserved for criminals!

Because of the total humility of Christ, what has the Father already begun? **2:9; Jn.13:31-32**

He has exalted Him to the highest place and given Him the Name above every name!

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At the Name of Jesus, every knee should bow / tongue will confess that Jesus is Lord!

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NO! Saints / Holy angels in heaven, believers on earth, demons / unsaved under earth.

And what is one of the guaranteed results of this worship? **2:11b; Jn.12:28, 13:31, 17:1**

This all brings glory to the Father. It was always the absolute goal of The Servant!

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Have this attitude in yourselves!! Yield your rights to others. Be of the same mind, humble