

God Became Man

Philippians 2:5 – 11

I. Introduction

II. The Incarnation Is the Ultimate Display of Divine Humility

A. The humility of Christ in the incarnation

1. his humility in becoming human

John 17:4 – 5 “I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.”

John 8:29 “And he who sent me is with me. He has not left me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to him.”

2. his humility in death

Romans 3:23 – 25 ...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.

Mark 10:45 “For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

2 Timothy 1:8 – 10 Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel...

B. The Father's response to Christ's humility in the incarnation

Isaiah 42:8 I am the Lord; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols.

Isaiah 45:22 – 25 "Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. By myself I have sworn; from my mouth has gone out in righteousness a word that shall not return: 'To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear allegiance.' Only in the Lord, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength; to him shall come and be ashamed all who were incensed against him. In the Lord all the offspring of Israel shall be justified and shall glory."

III. Conclusion