

“The Descent of Deity.2”

pt. 11 — Philippians 2:7-8

To Live is Christ

INTRODUCTION

1. Christ's divine nature

- *theos*
- *kurios*
- “I AM”

2. Christ's human nature

a. He did not grasp equality with the Father

b. He emptied Himself

- of what did Jesus “empty” Himself?
- the cost of “emptying”
2 Cor. 8:9

c. He took the form of a bond-servant

d. He was made in the likeness of men

- virgin birth
 - ...shows salvation is only of God
 - ...makes the uniting of humanity and divinity possible
 - ...makes Christ's humanity possible without sin

• like man in every way...yet without sin

2 Cor. 5:21; 1 Pet. 2:2; Heb. 4:15

e. He was found in appearance as a man

f. He humbled Himself

- did Jesus assert His rights as God?
- did Jesus assert his rights as a human being?

g. He became obedient to the point of death

• Father's will more important than His own

Mt. 26:39

• His obedience a choice of His will

Jn. 10:17-18

h. He obeyed to the point of death on a cross

Gal. 3:13

• with these results:

- ...He bore the penalty for sin upon Himself
- ...He satisfied the justice of the Father
- ...He revealed the depth of the Father's love

O, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways!

— the Apostle Paul (Rom. 11:33)



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