

THE INCARNATION - HUMILITY EXEMPLIFIED

Philippians 2:5-8

I. Think Like Jesus – vs. 5

Phroneō – to think; have attitude, regard, hold a view or belief

Philippians 2:2

Matthew 11:29

Romans 12:2

Romans 15:5-7

1 Corinthians 10:33-11:1

II. Jesus Is God – vs. 6a

Hyparchō – denotes the continuance of a previous state or existence. Stresses the essence of a person's nature.

Morphē - nature, character visual form, outward appearance. The outward manifestation of an inner reality.

Colossians 1:15

Hebrews 1:2-3

III. God The Son Relinquishes His Rights – vs. 6b

Isos – equal, the same as

John 5:18

John 10:30

John 14:9

Harpagmos - retain by force, holding of something
by force

Matthew 26:53

IV. The Incarnation Of God – vs. 7-8

a. The Son Emptied Himself, And The Word Became Flesh – vs. 7

Kenoō - empty oneself, divest oneself of position

John 17:1, 5

John 10:30

John 5:30

Matthew 26:39

Hebrews 5:8

Matthew 24:36

2 Corinthians 8:9

Matthew 27:46

2 Timothy 4:6-7

Matthew 20:28

John 13:14-17

Homoiōma – likeness, copy

John 1:1-2, 14

Luke 1:30-35

Colossians 1:21-22

Luke 2:52

Hebrews 2:14

Hebrews 4:15

Hebrews 2:17

b. God Stooped Very Low – vs. 8a

Schēma - outward appearance

1 Corinthians 7:31

John 6:42

John 10:33

Tapeinoō - make low, in social status

c. Willingly Died, The Worst Death Imaginable – vs. 8b

Romans 5:18-19

Hebrews 5:7-9

John 10:17-18

John 15:13

Deuteronomy 21:23

1 Corinthians 1:23

Galatians 3:13

Closing Thought: The Incarnation of God the Son is a model for the humility that is required of God's children. We are not to hold tightly the benefits of regeneration, rather to humble ourselves to keep unity in the Body, and to spread the gospel. Are you willing to die to yourself for the benefit of the Body?