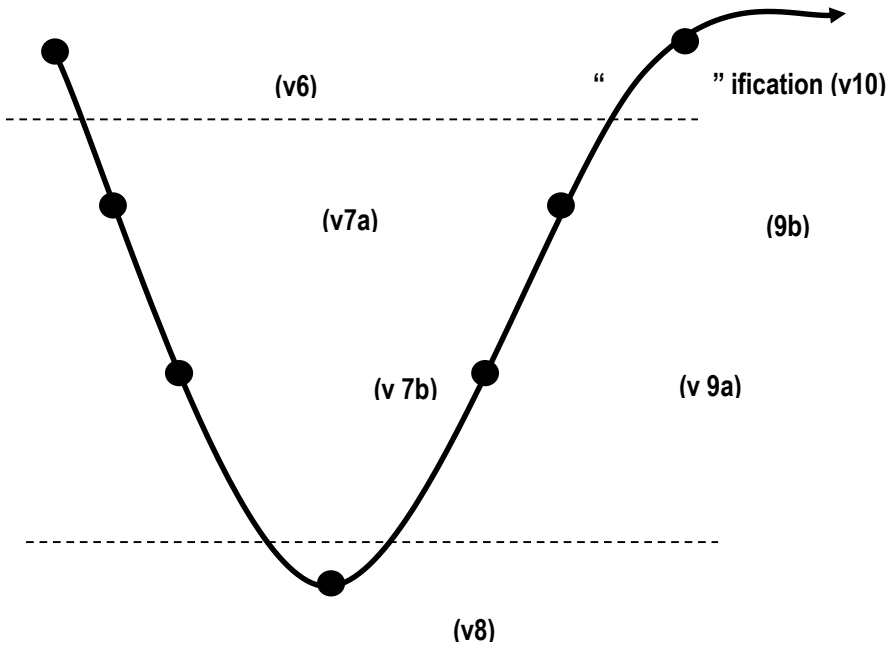


# “Gladness And The Great Parabola”

## The Mind Of Christ From Preexistence To “Prince”ification

Philippians 2:1-18 (980)

A “parabola” is a U-shaped curve with specific properties. This shape captures the teaching of Paul in this chapter as he exquisitely describes Christ’s humiliation and exaltation (described beautifully in LC 46-56). What a contrast to Satan and evil kings (see Is. 14:12-15)! The better we understand the *facts* of Jesus’ incarnation and “prince”ification, the more we can walk in joyful *faith* (2:17-18) as we faithfully and patiently “take up our cross” (Lu. 9:23-24) in expectation that the “crown of life” awaits us (Ja. 1:12) in glory. Imitate Christ’s humiliation and exaltation!



(*Philippians: An Expositional Commentary* by James Montgomery Boice)