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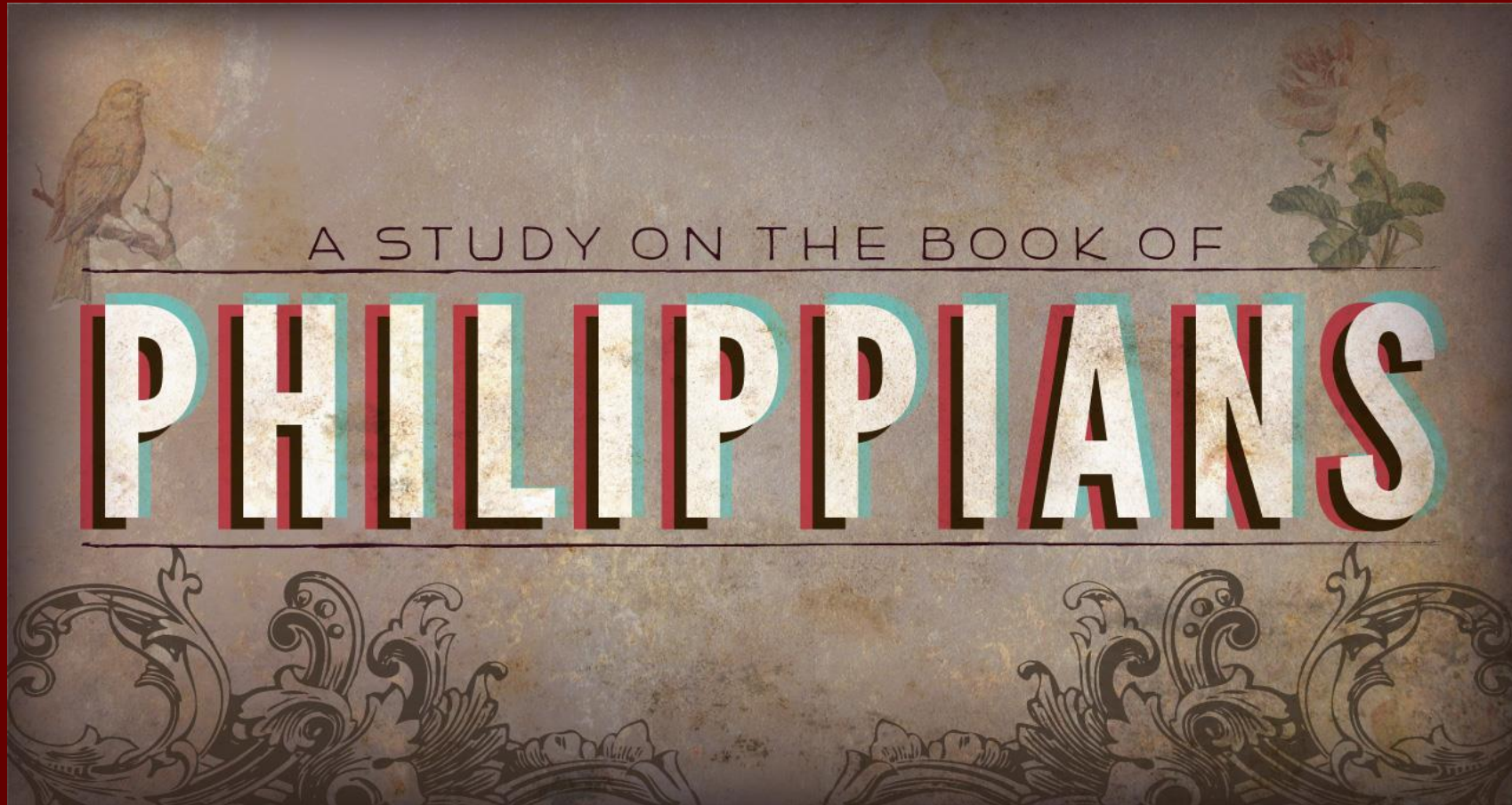
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JOY TO THE WORLD!

**Joy to the world! the Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.**

“THE PATTERN FOR JOY”
PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

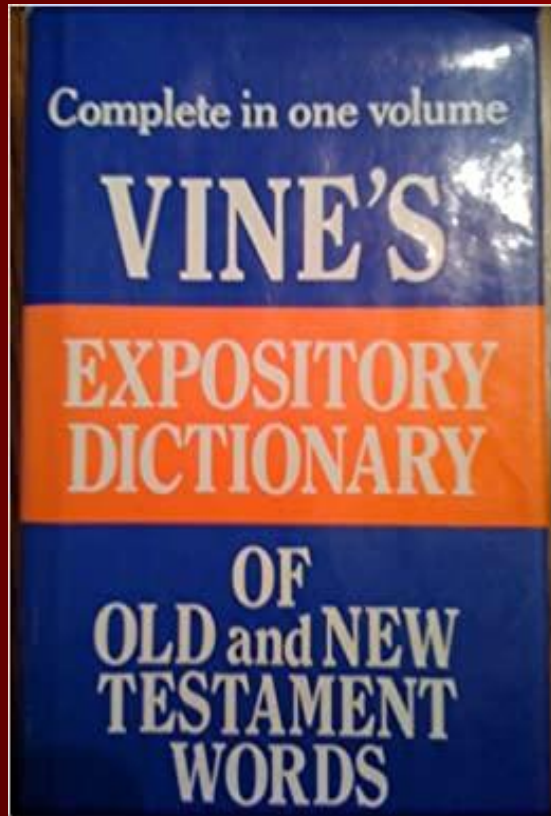


PHILIPPIANS 2:5



**“Let This Mind
Be In You,
Which Was In
Christ Jesus”
(KJV)**

“MIND”



To have an opinion of one's self, think of one's self, to be modest, not let one's opinion (though just) of himself exceed the bounds of modesty.

PHILIPPIANS

2:1-11

Philippians 2:1-5 - Exhortation

Philippians 2:6-11 - Example

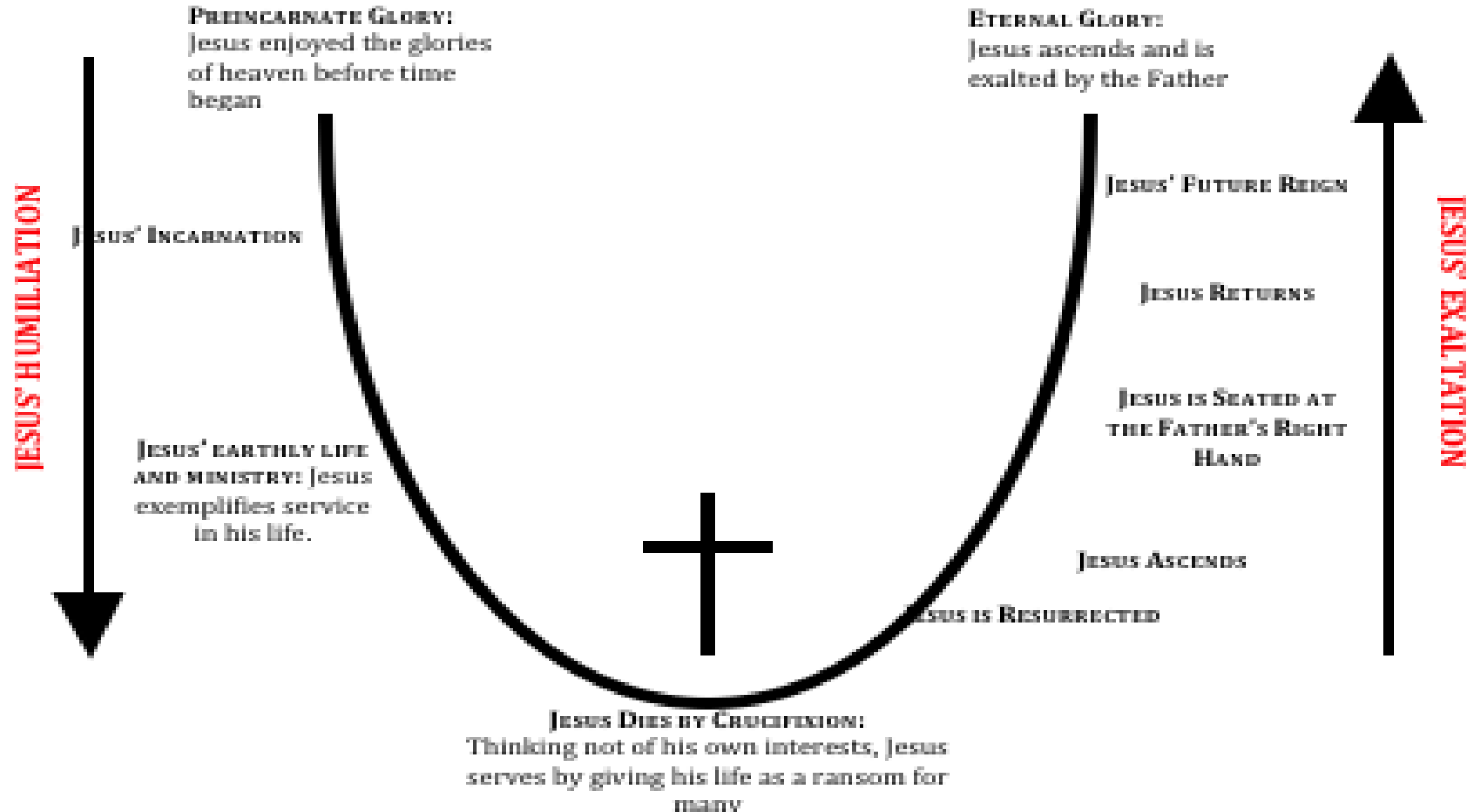
JOY IS THE SETTLED CONVICTION THAT GOD IS IN CONTROL FOR MY GOOD AND FOR HIS GLORY

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich (II Corinthians 8:9).

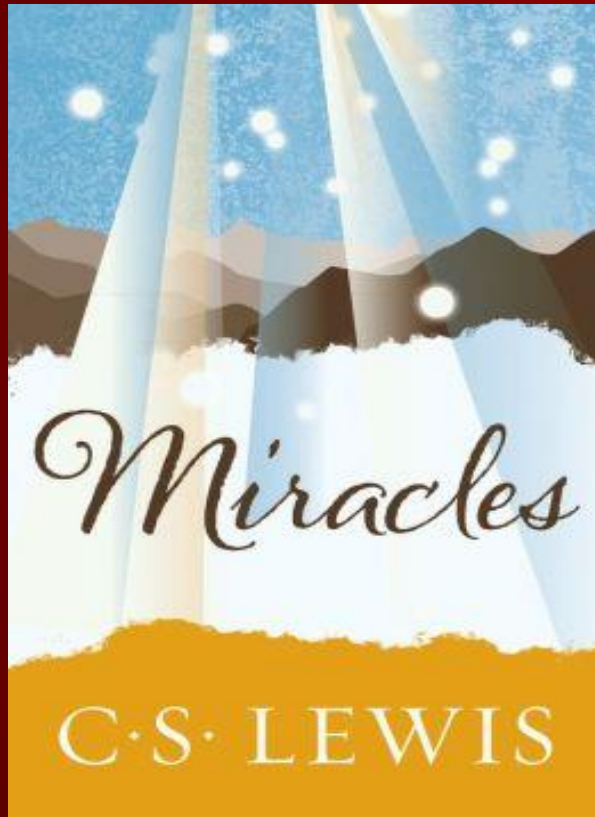
Looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God (Hebrews 12:2).

The Humiliation and Exaltation of Jesus

Philippians 2:5-11



INCARNATION TO GLORIFICATION



“In the Christian story God descends to re-ascend. He comes down; down from the heights of absolute being into time and space, down into humanity. But he goes down to come up again and bring the whole ruined world up with Him.”

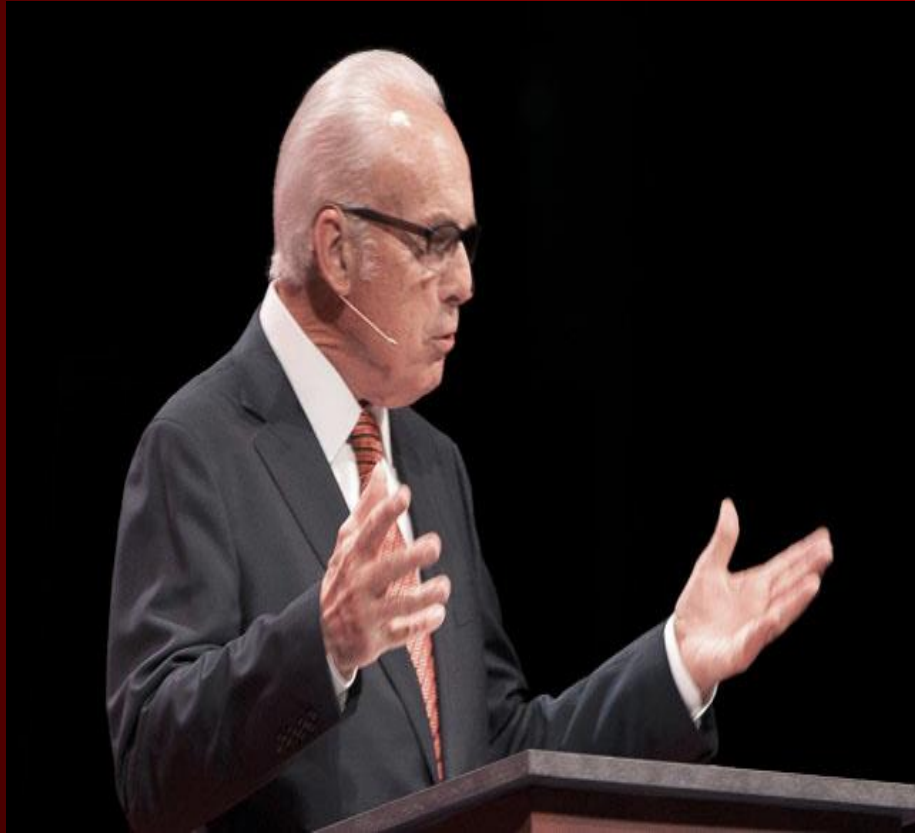
I. The Example Of Humility (5-8)

A. His Relinquishment (6)

Morphe - Essential Inner Form That
Never Alters

John 1:1; 8:58; and Colossians 1:15

EQUALITY WITH GOD



Grasp – “To Seize Or Hold
Onto By Force”

“He refused to selfishly cling to His favored position as the divine Son of God nor view it as a prized possession to be used for Himself.”

B. His Role (7a)

Kenosis – Gave Up Prerogatives And Privileges Of Deity; Emptied Himself Of Independent Use Of His Attributes

Schema – Bond-Servant/Slave

Matthew 20:28

AFRICAN CHIEF



C. His Resemblance (7b-8a)

Likeness: Made Like Something, Not Just In Appearance But Reality

Schema: Changing Outward Appearance

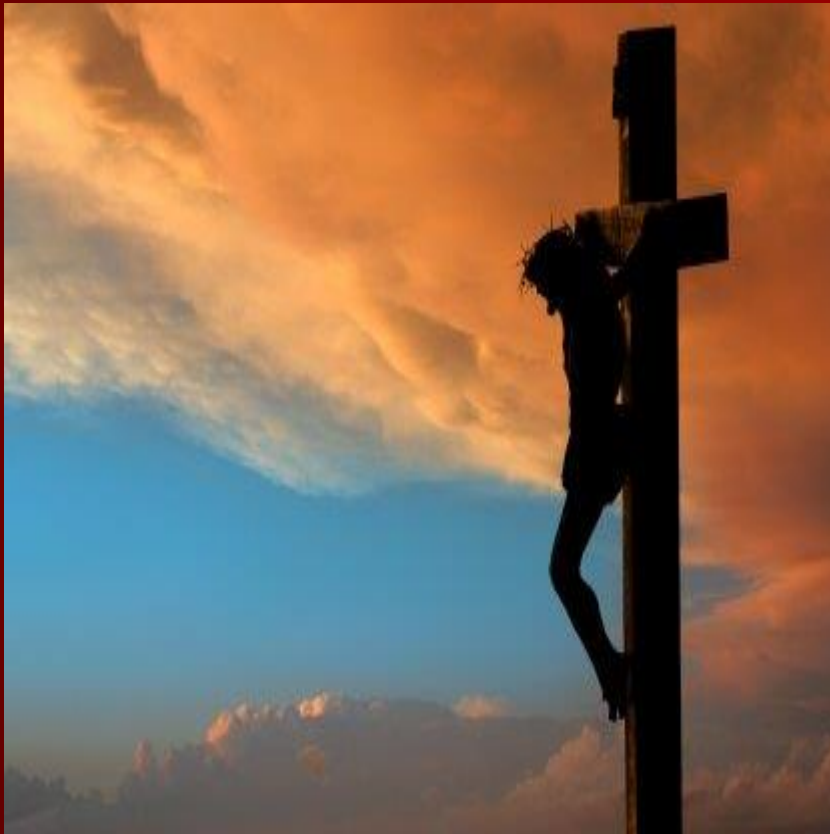
Virgin Birth: Matthew 1:16; Romans 8:3;
And Galatians 4:4

D. His Resignation (8b)

No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. (John 10:18)

Behold, I have come to do your will, O God. (Hebrews 10:7)

CRUCIFIXION



THE LIFE
OF
CHRIST

FREDERIC
W. FARRAR



Isaiah

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II. The Exaltation After Humility (9-11)

A. The Reason (9a)

B. The Restoration (9b)

John 17:5 and Hebrews 1:2-3

C. The Response (10-11)

Not If But When!

Every Knee Will Bow

Every Tongue Will Confess

Acts 4:10-12

D. A. CARSON

1. God's Perspective – Propitiation for sins (I John 2:2)
2. Christ's Perspective – Obeyed Father's will (Luke 22:42)
3. Satan's Perspective – Defeat of the accuser (Revelation 12:11)
4. Sin's Perspective – Debt has been paid (Colossians 2:14)
5. Believer's Perspective – Supreme standard of behavior
(Philippians 2:5-11)

Let this
MIND
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which was also in
Christy Jesus.

A silhouette of a cross stands on a hill against a dramatic sunset sky with orange and purple clouds. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright glow behind the cross.

Philippians 2:5

The image features a dark silhouette of a person on a cross on the left side. In the center, there is a silhouette of a person kneeling in prayer with hands clasped. The background is a light, cloudy sky. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

I have been Crucified with Christ.

**It is no longer I who live, but
Christ Who lives in me. And the life**

I now live in the flesh

I live by faith in the

Son of God

Who loved me

and gave

Himself

for me

Galatians 2:20



Joy TO THE WORLD

**He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders, of His love**