# JOY TO THE WORLD!

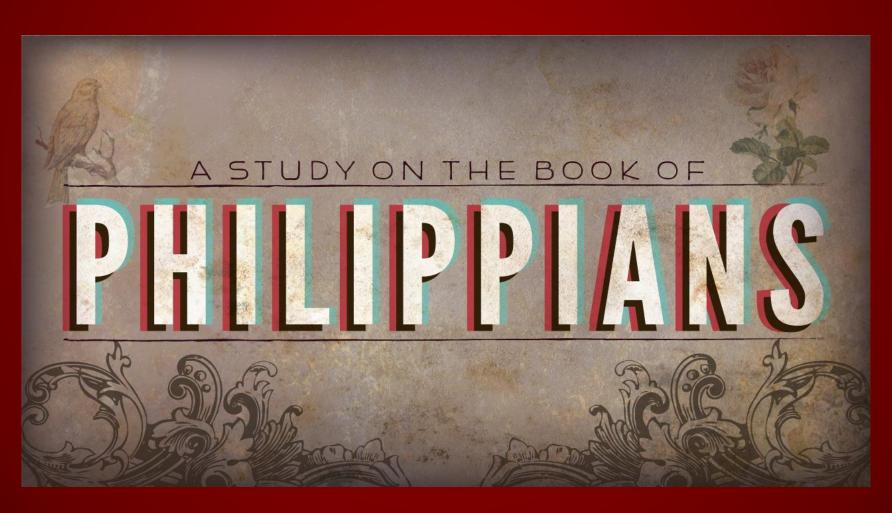
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# JOY TO THE WORLD!

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

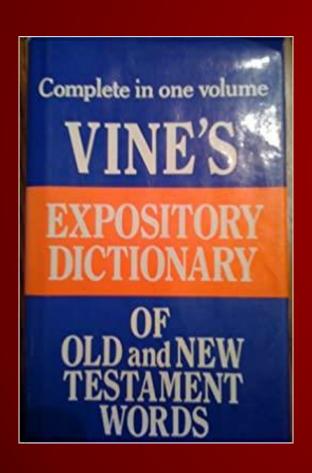


### PHILIPPIANS 2:5



"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 one's opinion let (though just) of himself exceed the bounds of modesty.

# PHILIPPIANS 2:1-11

Philippians 2:1-5 – Exhortation

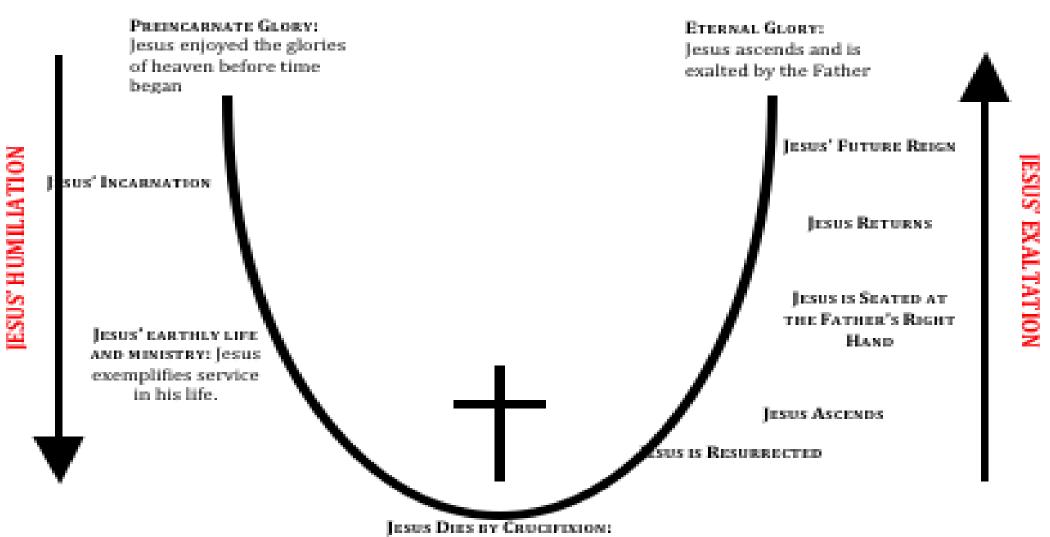
Philippians 2:6-11 – Example

# 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 (I Corinthians 8:9).

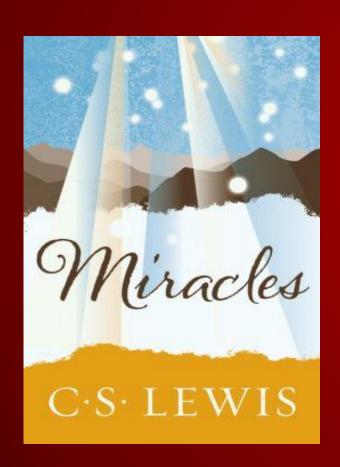
Looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God (Hebrews 12:2).

#### The Humiliation and Exaltation of Jesus Philippians 2:5-11



Thinking not of his own interests, Jesus serves by giving his life as a ransom for many

#### 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** 

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#### 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;

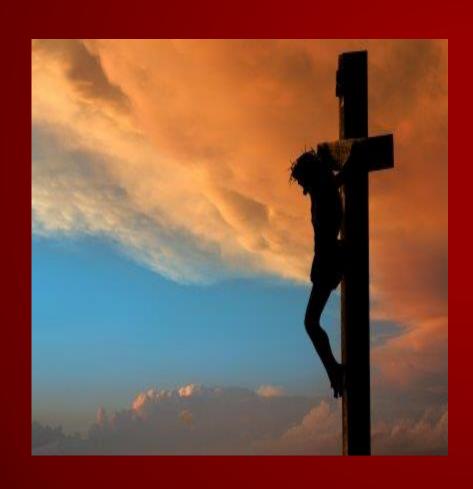
And Galatians 4:4

# D. His Resignation (8b)

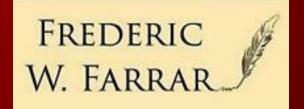
No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. (John 10:18)

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

# **CRUCIFIXION**



THE LIFE OF CHRIST



# Isaiah

#### 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!

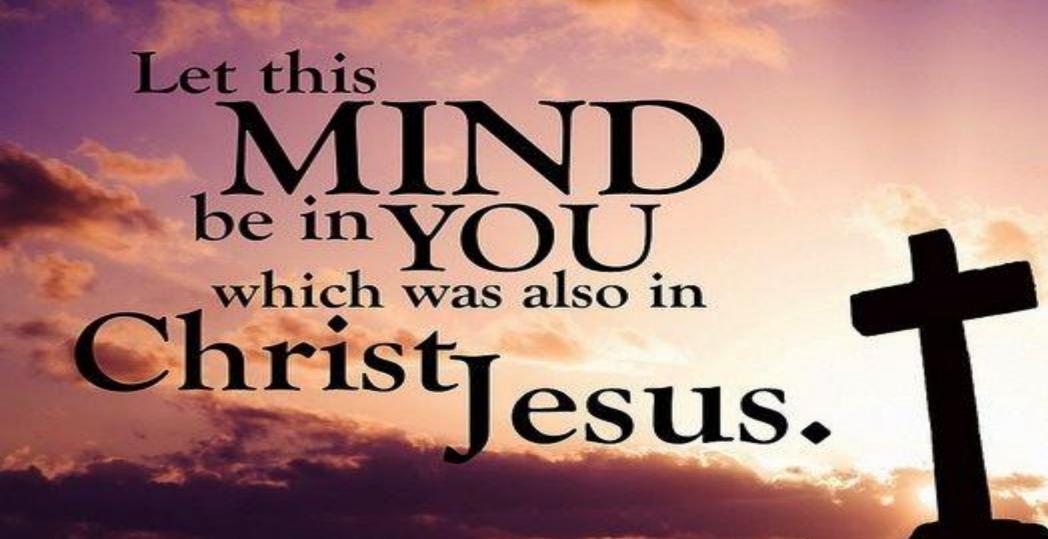
**Every Knee Will Bow** 

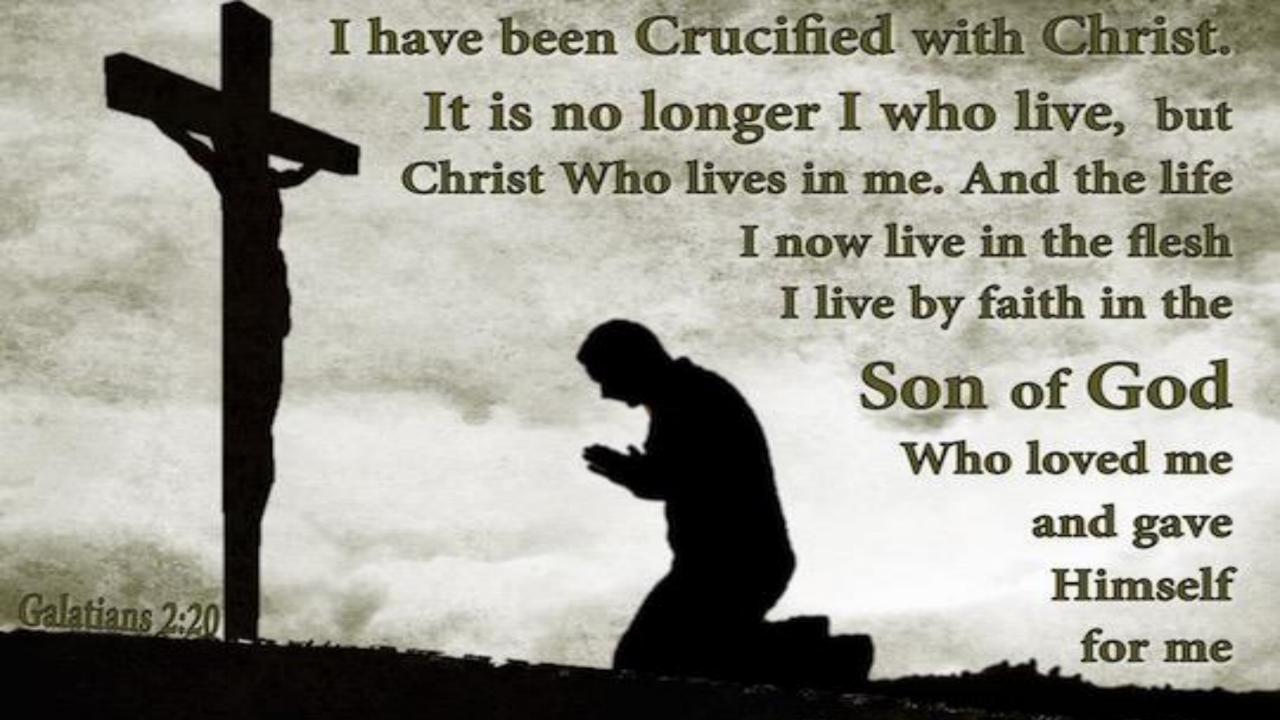
**Every Tongue Will Confess** 

Acts 4:10-12

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- 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)







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