A Proper Theology of Christmas
Philippians 2:5-11

Philippians 2:5c-11
Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.
v8 *And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.*
v9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Jesus Is God v5b-6a
Matthew 1:23 *The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" which means "God with us.*
John 1: 1-3 *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.*
Colossians 1:15 *The Son is the image of the invisible God,*
John 10:30-33 *I and My Father are one. Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him....for blasphemy, and because You, being a Man, make Yourself God.*

5 Steps that bring Jesus down as Savior of the world.
Jesus Let Go of His Glory v6-7
George MacDonald; "*They were looking for a King to slay their foes and lift them high. You came as a little baby that made a woman cry."*

Take the Form of a Servant v7b
John 13:4-5 *Jesus rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself. After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded.*

He Associated With Sinners v7c-8a

He Was Obedient to Die For Us v8b
John 1:29b*...The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!*
Matthew 1:21 *...and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins.*
1 Peter 2:24 *who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.*
Mark 10:45 *For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.*

Death By Crucifixion v8c
Galatians 3:13 *...for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree."*
2 Corinthians 5:21 *For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.*
Isaiah 53:5 *But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.*
2 Corinthians 5:17 *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.*