

THE INDESCRIBABLE MAN - PART 2

Scars in Heaven

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Philippians 2:5– 11 (NIV)

⁵In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: ⁶Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; ⁷rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross!

⁹Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

- **Jesus' Ascent is indescribable.** (vs. 7-11; *Isaiah 45:21-23*)

"To understand just how indescribable the ascent of Jesus really is, we have to pull the camera all the way back. Because what happened between the cross and the throne is part of a story that didn't begin in Bethlehem. It began in a garden—and it won't end until everything that was lost in that garden has been brought under the authority of the Man with the scars. This is the Grand Narrative of the Cosmos."

The Grand Narrative of the Cosmos

- **The Genesis** - God entrusts the Earth to Mankind (*Psalms 24:1 Gen. 1:26*)
- **The Fall** - Man Sins and Loses His Dominion and Satan Moves In. (*Genesis 3:1, 13, 22-24*)
- **The Squatter** - Satan Exercises Temporary Authority. (*Luke 4:5-7, John 12:31; Ephesians 2:2; 1 John 5:19*)
- **The Incarnation** - God's Son Comes to Earth on a Rescue Mission. (*Philippians 2:5-8; Luke 19:10*)
- **The Cross** - Jesus Pays Our Sin Debt with His Own Life. (*Philippians 2:8; Isaiah 53:5-6; 1 Peter 2:24*)
- **The Ascension** - The Son of Man Returns to the Highest Place. (*Philippians 2:9-11; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Peter 3:21-22*)

The Highest Place...

- **The Scroll** - The Lamb of God Redeems His Creation. (*Revelation 5:1-11*)

"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!"

- **The Seals** - The Squatter is Judged and Evicted. (*Rev. 19:11-16; 20:1-2*)
- **The New Beginning** - Everything is Made New. (*Rev. 21:1-3; 22:1-3*)

He's on the throne in Heaven—but is He on the throne in your life?