

When God Came Down 2

The Incarnation

“They were calling out to each other, “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Heaven’s Armies! The whole earth is filled with his glory!” Their voices shook the Temple to its foundations, and the entire building was filled with smoke. Then I said, “It’s all over! I am doomed, for I am a sinful man. I have filthy lips, and I live among a people with filthy lips. Yet I have seen the King, the Lord of Heaven’s Armies.”

Isaiah 6:3-5 NLT

“So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father’s one and only Son.”

John 1:14

You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form, he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal’s death on a cross. Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honor and gave him the name above all other names, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

Philippians 2:5-11 NLT

“Then Jesus said, “Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls.”

Matthew 11:28-29 NLT

“So Jesus called them together and said, “You know that the rulers in this world Lord it over their people, and officials flaunt their authority over those under them. But among you it will be different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first among you must be the slave of everyone else. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Mark 10:42-45 NLT

Pondering Point: The God who created all that is, who has every right to be full of pride became the most humble “man” to ever walk the face of the earth. No man in human history EVER humbled himself like Jesus. Ever.

Specifics on the humility of Jesus

- 1. He swapped a Heaven’s majesty for a grimy stable/cave**
- 2. He exchanged the worship of angels for the company of killers**
- 3. God became a baby.**
- 4. Those who he loved laughed in his face**
- 5. The tongues he made mocked him**
- 6. The mouths he made spit on him**
- 7. The hands he made drove nails through his hands and feet.**
- 8. His name was so common**

The humility of Jesus, the King of Kings, should make him...irresistible.