

Even Death on a Cross

Good Friday Service, Grace Church, Friday April 7, 2023

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the **form** (morphé) of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the **form** of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death even death on a cross. Philippians 2:5-8

A) The Hands of Humility

Fully God, fully man

The Hypostatic Union
Dwelt in Glory in ETERNITY
Born in INFANCY at Bethlehem
Grew up OBEDIENTLY in Nazareth
Taught EFFECTIVELY in Galilee
Died VIOLENTLY at Calvary
Was buried in OBSCURITY
Rose VICTORIOUSLY
Will Return IMMENTLY

Humility

He Humbled Himself
Philippians 2 is the Theology
John 13 is the Reality
Jesus washed the disciples' feet

From Glory to the foot of the table to the cross

Rose from His Place of Fellowship with the Father,
Rose from supper.
Laid aside His glory, Laid aside His garments.
Took the form of a Servant.
Wrapped Himself in flesh, Wrapped Himself with a towel.
Pours out His life, Poured water into a basin.
Was obedient to the point of death.

B) The Face of Passion

He: 1. Fell with His face to the ground, 2. Sweat drops of blood, 3. Looked straight at Peter, 4. His face was spit upon, struck and slapped.

Became Obedient

A Man had to Suffer a Punish Only God can Endure. Only a God-Man could Bear the Full Force of the Wrath of God. A Perfect man Had to Die, yet Only God is Perfect. Human Flesh had to Go to the Grave, yet Only God can overcome death.

To Point of Death: Jesus Died ...

1. Necessarily: Must Die
2. Voluntarily: Gave His Life
3. Pre-Determinately: The Plan of God
4. Obediently: The Father's Will
5. Prophetically: To Fulfil all that was Written
6. Substitutionarily: Him for Me
7. Propitiatorally: To Appease the Wrath of God
8. Victoriously: Over Sin and Death
9. Sufficiently: To Satisfy the Father
10. Effective and Specifically: For Me

Vicariously For Me. He was ...

1. Punished so we can be Forgiven
2. Wounded so we can be Healed
3. Rejected so we can be Accepted
4. Put to Shame so we might be Honored
5. Poor so we might be Rich
6. Made Sin so we can be made the Righteous
7. Cursed so we might be Blessed
8. Cut Off from the Father so we might be Joined
9. Put to Death so we might come to Life
10. Made to Know Sin so we might be made Blameless

Even On Cross

1. A Penal Death / 2. A Shameful Death
3. A Violent Death / 4. A Real Death