

The Mission of Christ

Philippians 2:9-11

Introduction:

“There is no other way because there is no other God. There is one God, there is no God but God, and there is no rest for any who rely on any god but God.”

- Os Guinness and John Steel

I. Christ is highly exalted in His mission to save us. (V. 9)

And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Philippians 2:8

(Verse 9 comes in the aftermath of verse 8, Christ's humiliation, obedience, death.)

A. He has been exalted in the name He has been given.

Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name . . . Philippians 2:9

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: 1 Peter 5:6

B. He has been exalted in the notoriety He has been given.

. . . and given him a name which is above every name: Philippians 2:9

What was Jesus known for? He was known for being an individual whose life was transforming. In Jesus' presence, sick couldn't stay sick, the blind couldn't continue without sight, the dead wouldn't stay dead. He didn't stereotype people, marginalize them, but he gave them a new life.

II. Christ is honored in His eminence to save us.

Involuntarily action to the name of Jesus.

. . . Whom seek ye? (V. 5) They answered him, Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus saith unto them, I am he. And Judas also, which betrayed him, stood with them. (V. 6) As soon then as he had said unto them, I am he, they went backward, and fell to the ground. John 18:4-6

A. He will be honored by every knee.

Philippians 2:10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, John 18:4

“To bow before Him now means salvation; to bow before Him at the judgment means condemnation.”
- Warren Wiersbe

*“Take the name of Jesus with you,
Child of sorrow and of woe.
It will joy and comfort give you.
Take it then where’re you go.
If temptations ‘round you gather,
Breath that holy name in prayer.”*
- Lydia O. Baxter”

B. He will be honored by every kingdom.

... of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; Philippians 2:10

“Even though the kingdom may not want to fly His flag and hang His picture all will yield to His authority.”

Demons: *So the devils besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine.*
Matthew 8:31

III. Christ is hollowed eternally in His mission to save us. (V. 11)

A. There is the confession of hollowing Him.

And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, Philippians 2:11

(Those who have cursed His name, doubted His name, betrayed His name will hollow His Name!)

“You don’t make Him Lord. He’s Lord already. You just recognize it.”
- Adrian Rogers

Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God. Matthew 27:54

B. There is the correlation of hollowing Him.

... to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2:11

And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.
John 14:13