Grace Bible Church 03/20/2024 Pastor Stephen H. Converse Wednesday Night Bible Study Walk With Christ To Cross Series – 01





"Jesus Christ: More Than A Good Man"

INTRODUCTION

Who was Jesus? - Philippians 2:5-8

- We need to see that Jesus surrendered His rights in order to redeem us.
- We need to see that Jesus assumed a humble position in order to redeem us.
- We need to see that Jesus was completely obedient to the Father, even to the point of dying on the cross in order to redeem us.
- We need to see that Jesus surrendered His rights in order to redeem us.

TO UNDERSTAND THE HUMBLING STEPS CHRIST TOOK TO REACH YOU AND ME,...

...WE MUST FIRST TRY TO GRASP HIS GREATNESS.

"who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped" - Philippians 2:6

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." - John 1:1

...WE NEED TO KNOW THAT JESUS CHRIST IS ALL-POWERFUL.

"For by Him all things were created" - Colossians 1:16,17

...WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THAT CHRIST EMPTIED HIMSELF.

"but emptied Himself" - Philippians 2:7

Explanation of "emptied Himself"

"Emptied Himself" does not mean that Christ quit being God. Hebrews 13:8

...WE NEED TO REALIZE THAT HE "TOOK THE FORM OF A BOND— SERVANT."

"by taking the form of a servant" - Philippians 2:7

What is a bond-servant? A bond-servant is a slave who willingly gives up all his rights to serve his master. 2 Corinthians 8:9, 5:21 Isaiah 53:3; Mark 10:45; John 1:10, 11

...WE NEED TO SEE THAT HE WAS "MADE IN THE LIKENESS OF MEN" AND WAS "FOUND IN APPEARANCE AS A MAN"

"being born in the likeness of men and human form". - Philippians 2:7-8

But He never sinned.

"For we do not have a high priest [Jesus Christ] who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin." Hebrews 4:15

...WE NEED TO SEE THAT HE BECAME OBEDIENT EVEN TO THE PLACE OF DEATH ON THE CROSS.

John 5:19, 20

It's never too late to cry out to God and ask Him for forgivenessand yield your life to Christ.