

## JESUS CHRIST IS LORD!

Text: Philippians 2:5-11

### I. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE SAVIOR (vs. 5-6)

#### A. His \_\_\_\_\_ as God

- “Being in the form of God”
  - Being = \_\_\_\_\_ (present tense).
  - Form = not that He looks like or is similar to God, but that He is God.
    - The \_\_\_\_\_ and being of Christ = that of God (John 8:58).

#### B. His \_\_\_\_\_ with God

- “Thought it not robbery to be equal with God” = Christ did not consider being equal with God as an act of robbery because it is His \_\_\_\_\_ place.

### II. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE SAVIOR (vs. 7-8)

- To help sinful people, Christ had to take two distinct, downward steps:

#### A. An \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 7)

- “He made Himself of no reputation” = He emptied Himself.
  - Himself = of His own free will;
  - Tense = took this significant step at certain \_\_\_\_\_ in time.
  - Means:
    - Not that He \_\_\_\_\_ being God or gave up His divine nature or attributes.
    - But that He became a \_\_\_\_\_ at the Incarnation.

- He “took upon Him the form of a servant”:
  - To His divine nature, Christ added a new nature of a \_\_\_\_\_.

- He “was made in the likeness of men” = became a man in every way except without \_\_\_\_\_.

- “Being found in fashion as a man” = people found Christ to be a real human being.

#### B. The Humbling (vs. 8)

- Being found as a man, Christ humbled Himself still more:
  - First, to the point of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - And then, even to the death of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- “The death of the cross” = shameful, painful death by \_\_\_\_\_.

- “He became obedient unto death” = Christ completed the mission of redemption given to Him by the Father and taken upon Himself of His own free will.

### III. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE SAVIOR (vs. 9)

- “Exalted Him”:
  - Not that Christ’s \_\_\_\_\_ is in heaven.
  - Not that He lives on in the \_\_\_\_\_ of His followers.
  - Not that His influence endures in this world.
  - But that He is \_\_\_\_\_ bodily from the dead and \_\_\_\_\_ again to the throne of heaven, far above all others.

### IV. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE SAVIOR (vs. 10-11)

- Jesus Christ is Lord! = the central truth of this passage and of life itself.
  - Not that He was Lord.
  - Not that we remember Him as Lord.
  - But that He \_\_\_\_\_ the living Lord at this very moment.
- Application: The fact that Jesus Christ is alive and Lord calls for a personal \_\_\_\_\_ from each of us.
  - It calls lost sinners to the Savior, and it calls the saints to greater surrender as well, giving more of ourselves to the Lord we love in holy living and service.
  - Question 1: Have you ever given your \_\_\_\_\_ to Christ, calling Him your Lord and Savior?
  - Question 2: As a believer, are you having the same servant \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ, and loving and serving others as He did?