

JESUS

THE MAN FROM HEAVEN

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Review of Class Objectives

- We want to grow in our knowledge of Jesus (2 Peter 1:2-3).
- We want to grow in our understanding of our union with Jesus (2 Peter 1:4).
- We want to live by faith in response to our union with Jesus (2 Peter 1:5-11).

Lesson 3 – Jesus’ Humility in the Kenosis

Jesus is fully God and fully man. In the combining of Jesus’ divine nature with His human nature, Jesus _____ set aside the _____ use of some of His divine attributes (Kenosis – “to empty”).

Philippians 2:5-8 – The Christ Hymn

- *Form (μορφῆ) of God – not robbery to be equal with Him.*
 - Jesus was in the _____ of God (fully God) before His incarnation.
 - Jesus did not consider His _____ power and authority with God the Father a thing to be clung to (a violent, forceful grasping of property: 1. either to steal someone else’s property, or 2. to hold on to your own property).

- *Made Himself of no reputation* – _____ Himself.
 - Participle 1: *Taking the form (μορφῆ) of a bondservant.*
 - He temporarily set aside the _____ use of some of His divine attributes.
 - Participle 2: *Coming in the likeness of men.*
 - He _____ His divine glory in human flesh.
- *Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus.*
 - We should be _____. We should hold our rights and possessions with an open hand before God the Father and say, whatever you want, Lord!
- *At the name of Jesus every knee should bow.*
 - Jesus went low, but now He is _____ above all, with a name over all. We should go to our knees and worship Him to the glory of God.

What does the Kenosis teach us about the life of Jesus? How did Jesus do His miracles if He set aside some of His attributes?

- Jesus lived His life like us. A man who depended on the heavenly Father as He was filled with the Holy Spirit.
- Jesus grew up (Isaiah 53:2).
- Jesus was parented (Luke 2:51).

- Jesus increased in wisdom and stature (Luke 2:52).
- Jesus had customs (Luke 4:16).
- Jesus learned a trade (Mark 6:3).
- Jesus didn't know something (Matthew 24:26; Mark 13:32).

Now What?

We must have the mind of Jesus – an open hand with an attitude of humility in Christ (Ephesians 4:17-24).

Jesus is exalted – We must confess Jesus Christ as Lord and bow our knee to Him in everything (Ephesians 1:20; 2:6).

Songs of Praise to Jesus

- *How Low Was Our Redeemer Brought by Sovereign Grace*

How low was our Redeemer brought, the King who held the stars

Would stumble as He learned to walk upon the ground He'd made

The One the angels bowed before would kneel to wash our feet

And be at home among the poor though He owned everything

How low was our Redeemer brought to raise us from our shame

And now the highest praise of all belongs to Jesus' name

The King gave up His crown so we could ever reign with Him

Gloria, gloria in the highest

- *And Can It Be?* by Charles Wesley

3 He left His Father's throne above,

So free, so infinite His grace;

Emptied Himself of all but love, (Emptied Himself to show His love)

- *See Amid the Winter's Snow* by Edward Caswall

5. Sacred Infant, all divine, what a tender love was Thine;

Thus to come from highest bliss down to such a world as this!

6. Teach, O Teach us, Holy Child, by Thy face so meek and mild,
teach us to resemble Thee in Thy sweet humility!

- *Behold, the Great Creator* by Thomas Pestel

1. Behold, the great Creator makes Himself a house of clay,
a robe of virgin flesh He takes which He will wear of aye.

2. Hark, hark, the wise eternal Word like a weak infant cries!
In form of servant is the Lord, and God in cradle lies.