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## *“Im His Humiliation”*

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### **Lesson Scripture - Philippians 2:5-11**

**Introduction:** Before entering into the Lesson about the “Humiliation of Christ” I want to mention the “Glory” he had with the Father, before the world was; which he himself refers to in (John 17:5) This will help us to better understand His state of “Humiliation” which he endured to become our Savior. By “glory” I mean the position he held: He was equal with God, in every divine perfection. And he thought it not robbery to be equal with God, because from eternity he was, and is, equal with God. You see God is a triune God, that means three persons compose the Godhead: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. If God does something in the person of the Father, it is God who does it; If God does something in the person of the Son, it is God who does it, and if God does something in the person of the Holy Ghost, it is God who does it. These three are one! (1 John 5:7)

A small glimpse of the power, the authority, the knowledge and the Majesty which the Son of God possesses is found in Hebrews, Chapter one; Verse ten says, “And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of thy hands:” **Think about it!** The Grand design of the universe, with all exiting matter, including all the heavenly bodies in space, and all living creatures on earth were made by him, and are subject to Him.

Some have estimated the universe to be at least 10 Billion light years in diameter, and contains a vast number of Galaxies. Independently and altogether, God’s universe works with precision. He made it all out of nothing, and hung it on nothing. The song writer Stewart Hamblen asked the question, “**How big is God, How big and wide his vast domain, To try and tell, these lips can only start, He’s big enough to rule this mighty universe, yet small enough to live within my heart.**” What joy, delight, satisfaction and yes, “Glory”, there must have been in seeing the Universe materialize right before their eyes. **God’s omniscience and omnipotence on display! His dominion and Lordship were limitless, and at that time, without disappoint, pain, suffering, and without sorrow or regret.** In eternity past, Jesus had the admiration of all intelligent beings.

However, **God’s Creation Plans** also included, the plan to create man; to make him a free agent. Man would be allowed to choose his own way. The penalty for sin would be death; separation from God. God knowing the end from the beginning, (Isaiah 46:-10) and that Adam would sin, prepared a plan that would make redemption possible. So, before any creation took place, Jesus agreed, in fact I believe, “volunteered”, to come to earth in the form of a man, for the purpose of redeeming sinners from the condemnation of sin. “By so much was Jesus made a surety of a better Testament”. **(The New Covenant of Grace)** (Hebrews 7:22) Peter says,“...ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things,... but with the precious blood of Christ,...who was verily foreordained before the foundation of the world...” (1 Peter 1:18- 21)

## The State of Humiliation

Dottie Rambo's song, "If That Isn't Love", expresses the humiliation Jesus experienced when he came from heaven to earth; "He left the splendor of Heaven, knowing his destiny, was the lonely hill of Golgotha, where he laid down His life for me." Paul said, "Jesus made himself of no reputation...", He went from a king to a pauper. Again, Paul said, "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich."

(2 Corinthians 8:9) He emptied himself of the Majesty and Glory of being God and became a man, that as a man he could satisfy the just demands of the broken law, in our behalf. (Galatians 4:4-6)

"...He took not on himself the nature of angels, but he took on him the seed of Abraham. (Hebrews 2:16) "Wherefore it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people, For in that he himself hath suffered, being tempted, he is able to succor them that are tempted. (Hebrews 2:17-18).

Jesus was born in a stable, and his cradle was a manger. His parents were poor, and he never owned a home of his own. (Matthew 8:20) The prophet said he would grow up as a "tender plant", and as a "root out of dry ground": he hath "no form or comeliness", and when we shall see him there is "no beauty that we should desire him". (Is 53:2) My interpretation of that prophecy is: His physical demeanor did not exhibit the potential for amounting to very much when he was growing up.

Although this prophecy was made some 700 years before the birth of Christ, the prophet begins to express the sufferings of the Messiah in the past tense, as though it had already taken place. "He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief" (V. 3). He was ignored and considered worthless, and esteemed as stricken, smitten of God and afflicted; as though God was punishing him for something. He was! He was wounded and bruised because of our iniquities, and suffering the chastisement of our peace, and for our spiritual healing. (v. 5) The Lord laid on him the iniquities of us all. (V. 6) Peter agrees with this prophecy; "Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree,..." (1 Peter 2:24)

From his birth, some sought to kill him.. The devil tempted him to destroy himself, He was persecuted, saying, He cast out devils by the prince of devils. The religious leaders conspired to kill him; and in spite of all this, he did not retaliate, but instead, went about doing good.

His own familiar friend betrayed him, and sold him for 30 pieces of silver. He was at last arrested, tried and convicted, on false charges, without one shred of evidence of any evil doing. He was sentence to please the people. You talk about being despised and rejected! This is the meaning of, "In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: (Acts 8:23) Here is the meaning; The judgment from both Herod and Pilate, was, "I find no fault in this man; He hath done nothing worthy of death". (See Luke 23:13-16) So the judgment of innocent was set aside, taken away, and Jesus was crucified. He could have delivered himself from this humiliating experience, but this is the reason he became a man, and suffered all these things. His death was an atonement for sin. the only sacrifice that could reconcile God to Man. Jesus was the only man who was sinless, who could offer a sacrifice God would accept. For it was the disobedience of one, Adam, that all were made sinners, and it is through the obedience of one, Jesus, that many shall be made righteous. (Romans 5:19)