

The humbling and exalting of Jesus Christ

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- The example we are to follow is the same humility and love our Savior possessed

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- Philippians 2:6-7 state the eternal mystery that Jesus, as God, could become human

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- And we must also affirm that He became human, and was born in time, of a virgin

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- Because of the obedience of Jesus, our coming to Him by faith causes His righteousness to be imputed to us

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- Imputation – To (reckon) as belonging to someone else, and causing it to belong to them. God reckons Adam’s sin as belonging to all of humanity, and reckons the righteousness of Jesus as belonging to those who are saved.
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- The goal and aim: Humble, Christ-like believers