

Welcome To PHILIPPI

Forum

A photograph of the Forum in Philippi, showing several standing columns and a large area of ruins. The scene is set against a backdrop of a hillside with sparse vegetation and a clear blue sky. The foreground features a low stone wall and some scattered debris. The middle ground is dominated by a large, open area of ruins, including several tall, cylindrical columns and numerous smaller stone blocks and fragments. The background shows a steep, rocky hillside with some trees and a small structure on the right side.



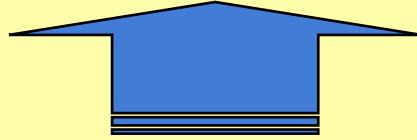
Shops and Forum and Acropolis

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OUR MINDSET

2:5



CHRIST'S MINDSET

Preexistence

2:6

Condescension

2:7



Emptied

Humbled

2:8

2:5-7 Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, 6 who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men.

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KENOSIS

1. Took on Humanity/Servant
2. Poured Himself out
3. Veiled His Glory
4. Limited His use of Attributes

CHRISTOLOGY

A photograph of ancient ruins, likely a Roman or Greek temple complex. In the foreground, a wide stone path leads towards the background. Several tall, white columns stand in a row, some with their capitals intact. The ground is covered in rubble and debris, suggesting the remains of a once-great structure. The sky is a clear, deep blue, and the overall scene is bathed in a soft, natural light.

1. Preexistence

2. Deity

3. Voluntary

4. Condescension - kenosis

CHRISTOLOGY

Condescension

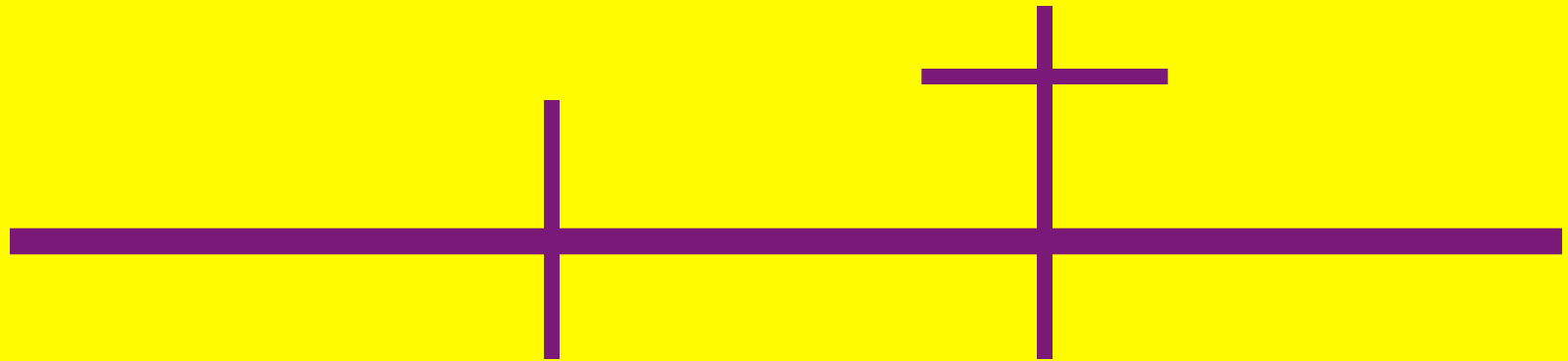
Preexistence

ETERNITY

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Deity

Incarnation



CONDESCENSION

✧ **Heaven to Earth**

✧ **Deity to Man**

✧ **Glory to Shame**

✧ **Lord to Slave**

✧ **Life to Death**

DISTINCTIONS

➤ **Condescension**

His stooping down from Deity

His attitude of Humility

➤ **Incarnation**

What He stooped down to

His new nature as Human

“The incarnation of the Lord Jesus Christ is the central fact of Christianity. Upon it the whole superstructure of Christian theology depends.”

J.F. Walvoord

MEANING

- **From Latin - “in flesh”**
- **Taking on Human Nature**
- **Combining -**
 - Infinite with Finite**
 - Eternal with Temporal**

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CHRISTOLOGY

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5. Incarnation

TRUE HUMANITY

6a Service - not Selfishness

7a Holiness - not Happiness

8a Obedience - not Obstinate

EVIDENCE

- 1. Human Parents**
- 2. Human Body**
- 3. Human Soul & Spirit**
- 4. Human Names**
- 5. Human Limitations**

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6. Humanity

2:8 Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

CHRISTOLOGY



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7. Sinlessness

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4. Condescension - kenosis

5. Incarnation

6. Humanity

7. Sinlessness

8. Subordination

SUBORDINATION

- ✓ **Father Sends Son -> HS**
- ✓ **Father Operates thru Son -> HS**
- ✓ **Father Glorified in Son -> HS**
- ✓ **Yet no Inferiority**
- ✓ **Function & Position**

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- 9a Submission - not Superiority**

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1. Preexistence

9. Obedience

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10. Mission

MISSION

✧ **Servant -**

Example

✧ **Prophet -**

Revelation

✧ **Priest -**

Sacrifice

✧ **King -**

Sovereign

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CRUCIFIXION



- **Cruellest Form of Capital Punishment**
- **Phoenicians, Persians & Romans**
- **Non-Romans, Slaves, & Worst Criminals**

DEATH

1. Penal - paid penalty

2. Substitutionary -

instead of us

3. Propitiatory -

satisfies wrath

CHRISTOLOGY

The background of the slide is a photograph of ancient ruins. A long, straight path made of large, rectangular stone blocks leads from the foreground into the distance. On either side of the path are the remains of various structures, including several tall, white stone columns that have lost their capitals. The sky is a clear, bright blue, and the overall scene is one of historical decay and grandeur.

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11. Death

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