

**WELCOME
TO**

**Philippi
Forum**

PHILIPPI



PHILIPPIANS

- **Author - Paul**
- **Audience - Philippians**



1 & 2 Thessalonians written from Corinth

- city
- ⋈ mountain pass
- ▲ mountain peak
- LYCIA Roman provincial name
- First Missionary Journey: Paul & Barnabas
- John Mark separates from Paul & Barnabas and returns to Jerusalem

PHILIPPIANS

- **Author - Paul**
- **Audience - Philippians**
- **Occasion - 62**
- **Location - Roman Prison**
- **Purpose - Affectionate**

PURPOSE

**To express Affection
and Friendship**

OUTLINE

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| I. Personal Encouragements | 1:1-26 |
| II. Provoking of Godly Living | 1:27-2:30 |
| III. Protection against Errors | 3:1-4:1 |
| IV. Parting Exhortations | 4:2-23 |

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2:1-2 Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, 2 make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose.

2:3-4 Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; 4 do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.



Exhortations 1:27-2:4

Example 2:5-11

Exhortations 2:12-18



Old Testament

Christology 2:5-11

New Testament

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**2:5 Have this attitude in
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OUR MINDSET

2:5



CHRIST'S MINDSET

Preexistence

2:6

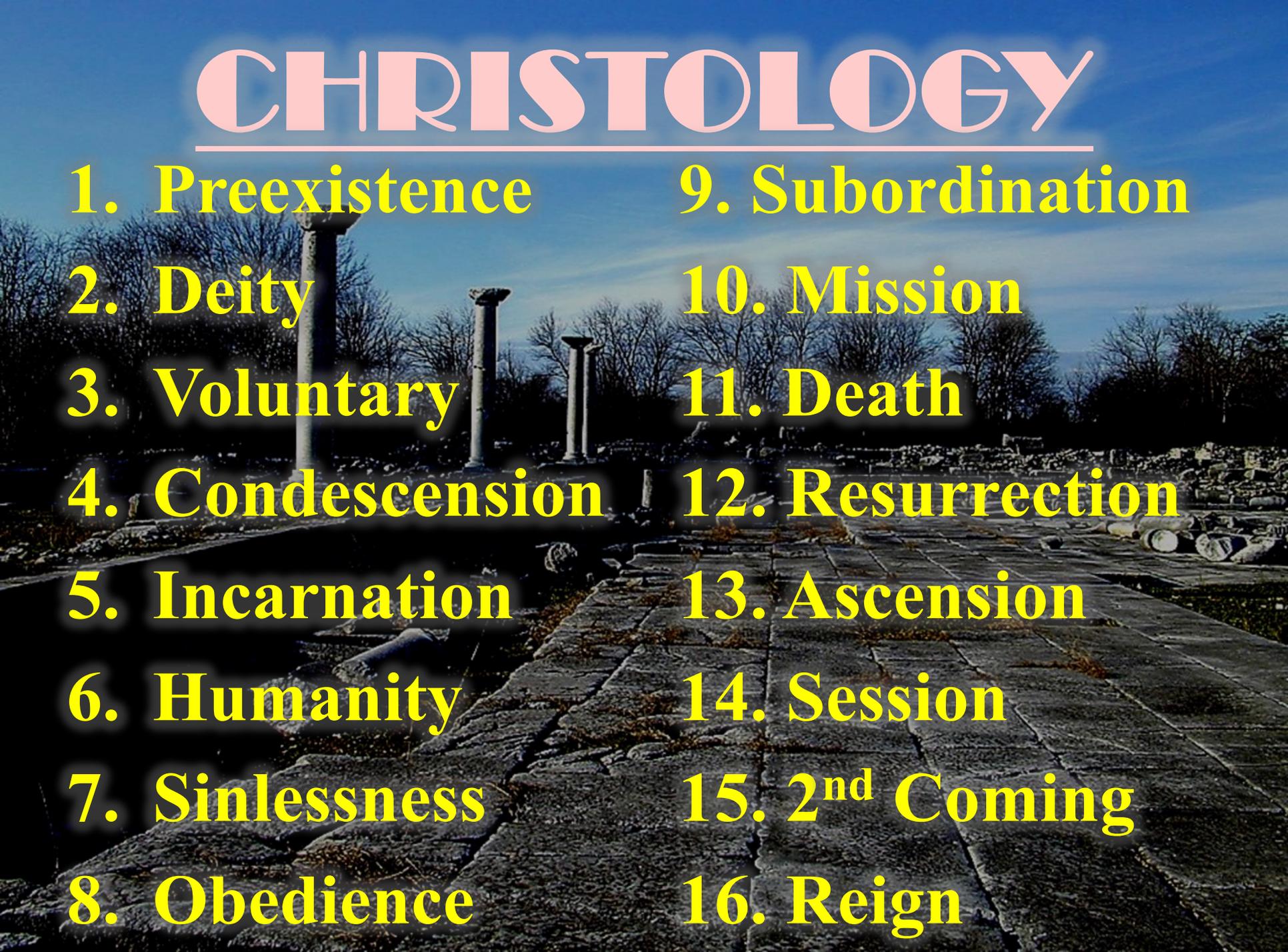
Condescension

2:7-8

Exaltation

2:9-11

CHRISTOLOGY

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1. Preexistence

2. Deity

3. Voluntary

4. Condensation

5. Incarnation

6. Humanity

7. Sinlessness

8. Obedience

9. Subordination

10. Mission

11. Death

12. Resurrection

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14. Session

15. 2nd Coming

16. Reign

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1. Meaning

Form or Shape

Inner Essence or Reality

2. Emphasis - Deity

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1. Meaning

Equal in quantity

Equal with God

2. Emphasis - **Deity**

CHRISTOLOGY

1. Preexistence

2. Deity



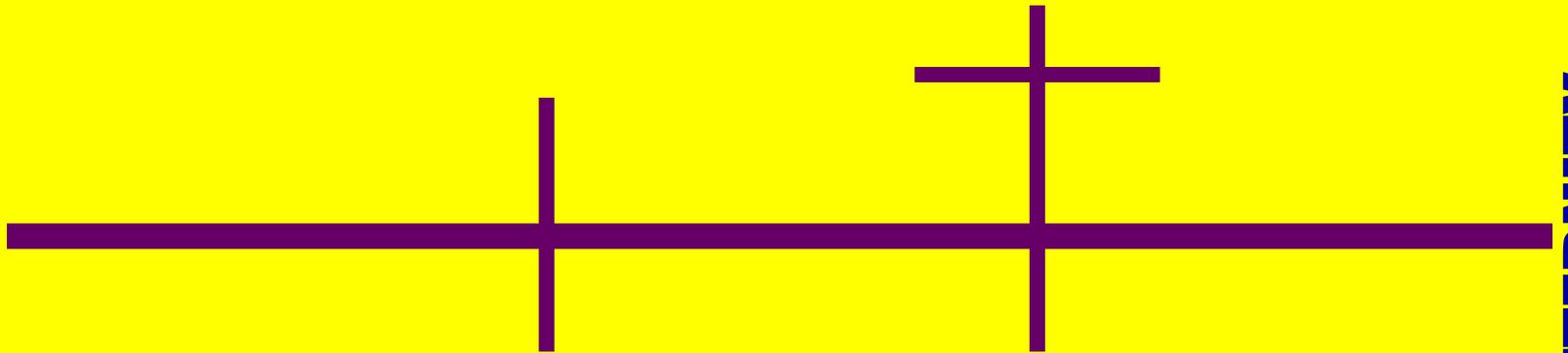
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CONDESCENSION

- **Heaven to Earth**
- **Deity to Man**
- **Glory to Shame**
- **Lord to Slave**
- **Life to Death**

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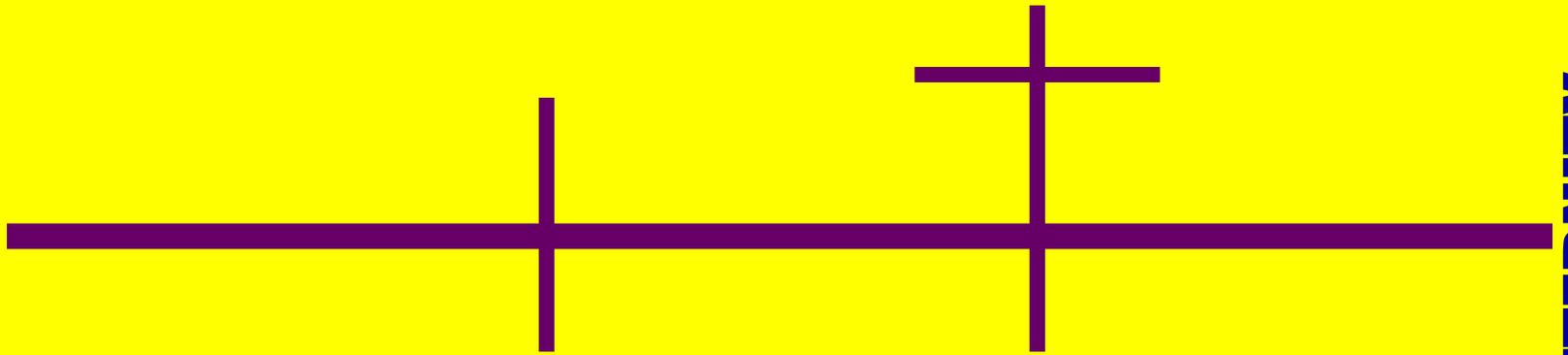
Condensation

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ETERNITY

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Deity



κενόω (kenoo)

1. Meaning

To be emptied of something

What did He empty of?

2. Emphasis - Humanity

THEORIES

1. Giving up of all Attributes
2. Emptying of some Attributes
3. Abandoning of Divine mode
4. Taking on Humanity

OUR MINDSET

2:5



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Humbled

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KENOSIS

1. Took on Humanity/Servant

μορφή (morphe)

1. Meaning

Form or Shape

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2. Stress - 1st Deity

now Humanity

KENOSIS

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

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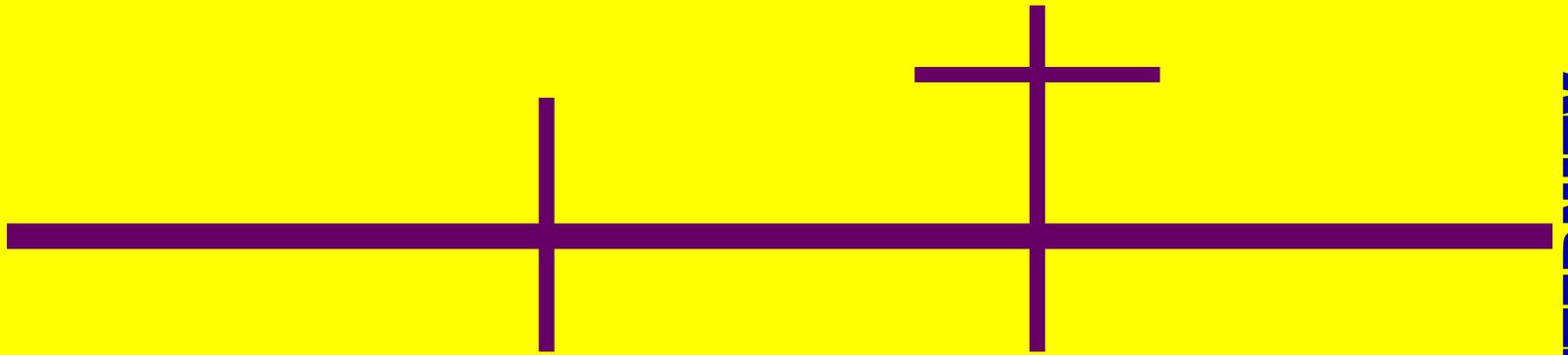
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DISTINCTIONS

➤ **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

HISTORY of UNIVERSE

- 1. Creation**
- 2. Fall**
- 3. Flood**
- 4. Incarnation**
- 5. Death & Resurrection**
- 6. 2nd Coming**
- 7. New Heavens & Earth**

MEANING

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

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MEANING

- **50% Deity + 50% Humanity?**
- **100% God & 100% Man**
- **Not mingled or mixed**
- **Hypostatic Union**
- **Personal Union of 2 Natures**

EVIDENCE

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

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TRUE HUMANITY

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7a Holiness - not Happiness

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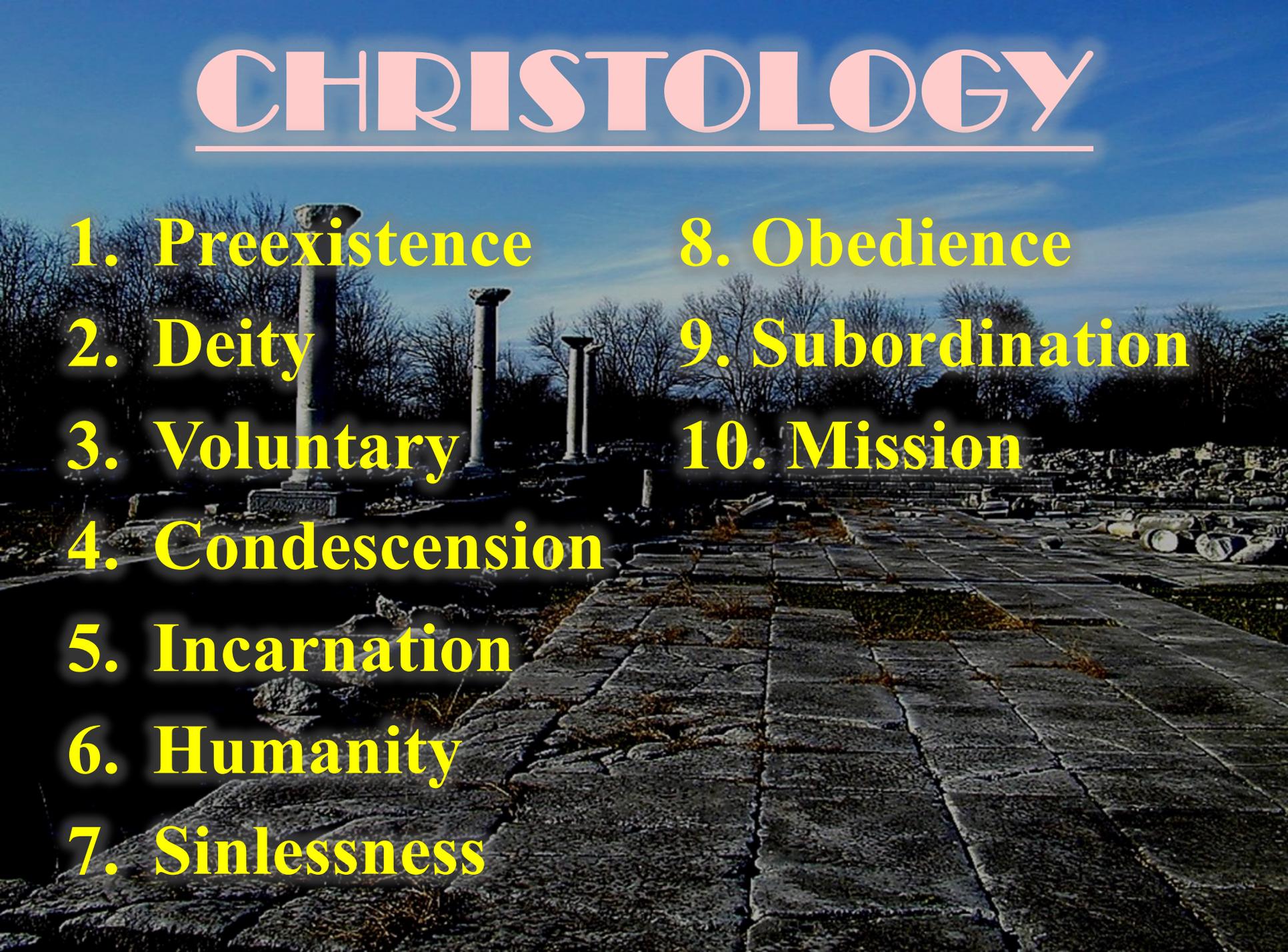
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HUMILITY
involves
POURING
Yourself out
for Others!



Paul and Lydia