



essentials

KNOW WHAT YOU BELIEVE

The Person of Jesus Christ

Read the following verses:

EXAMINING THE TEXT

Matt 4:1-11, 16:13-16; Phil 2:5-11; Heb 2:18, 4:15; 1 Cor 15:45; Gal 4:4-7, 5:16

1. In Philippians 2:7, Christ emptied or made Himself nothing. Does this mean that when He became a man He gave up His deity, some of His divine attributes, or that He retained His full deity and all of His divine attributes? Discuss.
2. In Philippians 2:5-8a what Christ did voluntarily is meant to impact us. How does that look according to the two preceding verses (Phil. 2:3-4)?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Why is it important to hold to the truth that Christ is both God and man at the same time?
2. If Jesus was tempted like us, was there the possibility of sin?
3. What does it mean for Jesus Christ who came out of the seed of David to be designated the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness out of the resurrection of the dead (Romans 1:3-4)?

THE HEART OF THE MATTER

1. One striking thing about Jesus is that what really made Him extra-ordinary was that He lived an ordinary human life. Was Jesus ever tempted by Satan to be extra-ordinary and forsake His ordinary human life? If so, when? As Christians should we be ordinary or extra-ordinary? Discuss.
2. Jesus Christ is both God and man at the same time. He went through a process of self-emptying and exaltation. How do we follow in his steps to be brought into glory, to be conformed to his image?