

Philippians 2:9–11

“Why and How Jesus Is Exalted As Yahweh”

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“Therefore”—the exaltation (v9), bowing (v10), and confession (v11) in our passage is all a consequence of Christ’s humbling Himself as described in vv5–8.

In order to understand how these things are connected, it is important for us to see their relation to Isaiah 45:21–25. There Yahweh declares “there is no other God besides Me, a just God and a Savior; there is none besides Me” (v21) and “I am God and there is no other” (v22) and “to Me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall take an oath” (v23) and “to Him men shall come and all shall be ashamed who are incensed against Him” (v24) and “in Yahweh all the descendants of Israel shall be justified, and shall glory” (v25).

He is exalted because it is the right of His person. He is “in the form of God,” v6. Even though Jesus was willing to add humanity to Himself in humility, it was still the right that He be declared Lord (Yahweh), for that is who He is in His Person. As Jesus also tells us, we ought to put ourselves in the lowest position, since the Lord will surely lift us to wherever we belong (Luke 14:7–11, cf. 1Pet 5:5–6). And the center of the throne of heaven as the Creator of heaven and earth is right where Jesus belongs, Hallelujah!

He is exalted because He proves Himself to be Yahweh by being the Savior. The Holy Spirit had said through Isaiah that there is no Savior but Yahweh. So, when Jesus saves us by His death on the cross, He displays that He is Yahweh in human flesh. Only Yahweh could have done that. Only Yahweh is valuable enough to be a propitiation (“full atonement,” cf. Rom 3:25 and God exhibiting Jesus as a propitiation). This is one more reason why we can never contribute to our own salvation. Yahweh alone is the Savior, and when Jesus saved He proved Himself to be Yahweh!

He is exalted because the Father loves Him and is pleased with Him. Jesus had said, “Therefore My Father loves Me, because I lay down My life that I may take it again” (cf. John 10:17). The Father’s love for the Son is infinite and eternal, and exactly corresponding to His loveliness and worthiness. When the Lord Jesus had done that which was so worthy and lovely, the Father gave Him that honor which is His due and His Father’s delight to give.

Shall we not also delight to give Him His due? It is the Father’s pleasure that we should call Jesus Lord. And we won’t be alone doing so. As Isaiah said “all shall be ashamed who are incensed against Him,” so it shall come to pass. All knees will bow in heaven, and earth, and under the earth. And every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. And because He and God and the Spirit are one God, the display of His glory is unto the glory of God the Father!

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Philippians chapter 2 more portion this evening is verses 9 through 11, let's pray. Our father, are we thank you for? The riches of your glory and your grace. Your glory, which you have displayed to us your grace, which you have extended to us. As you have been meeting with us in your means throughout the day and especially in the public worship earlier.

We thank you for the ministry of your spirit. Which whether we experience or not. We trust you and know that your word is true and that he who has sealed us. Is with us alongside us until the day of redemption. But oh God, we pray that you would make us to know.

To experience the working of your spirit upon us. That we might be convinced of your word that we might see and rejoice over the glory of Christ in your word and your glory. That you display in your son our Lord Jesus. So help us now we pray. Come again by your spirit.

Testify unto us. What we are to believe concerning you and convince and convict us. Of the duty which you require unto us. Conform us by your word to the image of the Lord Jesus that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. Sanctifiers by your truth. Your word is truth.

So that as you are sanctifying those whom you have justified you may impart by what you do now bring us into the day that we are glorified. And Christ in us you in Him. So help us we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Philippians chapter 2 verses 9 through 11.

Therefore. God also has highly exalted him. And given him. The name which is about every name. That at the name of Jesus. Every knee should be. Of those in heaven. And of those on earth. And of those under the earth. And that every excuse me in that every time should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

To the glory. Of God the Father.

So far the reading of God's inspired and inherent word.

There's this marvelous truth that there. In the Old Testament harder for us to see until Christ comes. But that the triune God Father. Son and Holy Spirit loves especially his son to be the display of his glory. That he is to us the image of the invisible God. It's a truth, that was there in

particular in Psalm 110.

So there. When Jesus had spent three years having the truth of who he is rejected by the religious leaders of the Jews he asks them. How can David call him Lord? Yahweh said to my Lord sit here at my right hand, how can David call him? Lord, who is his son?

When it is because Jesus is Jehovah. Jesus is Yahweh. Jesus is God the son in the flesh and the trion God's display of himself to us so that even as Paul says the apostle says in the beginning of his letter to the Romans that he was demonstrated to be the son of God with power by his resurrection from the dead you're remember of course if God the son becomes a man and he loses sinful life and he dies as a scripture says death cannot hold him.

And his identity is announced with power when he rises again from the dead well his identity is also announced with power when he ascends into heaven and sits at God's right hand as soul 110 describes and all the creatures in heaven. Confess that Jesus Christ is Lord and all of the creatures on earth will soon confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

And all the creatures even under the earth will then confess. That Jesus Christ is Lord. And so Jesus is exalted in the first place because it is the right of his person he is as we heard and verse 6 he is in the form of God that is his original nature and eternal nature and it is his rate as the second person of the Trinity to be highly exalted and given that name which is above every name so that if a Christian were to stumble in their faith.

And to give in under persecution and confess their curios. Caesar is lord it would not be unto the glory of God the father that they did so it will be unto the glory of God the father that it was atone foreign Christ, it might be to the glory of God the father that they turned out at last not to be a Christian tall and they were condemned for having made that confession but when we confess that Jesus Christ is Lord when we say Christopher, yes when we say Jesus is Yahweh, It doesn't rob any glory from the Father doesn't it is unto the glory of God the Father because God has made his son the display of his glory.

So when you say Jesus is Yahweh. God the Father Son and Holy Spirit is glorified. He's exalted because it is the right of his person. So verse 9 says, therefore God has also highly exalted him. But he is also exalted him because in his saving us he shows himself to be Yahweh, the apostle is using words that come from Isaiah 45, if you have a copy of the word of God, you may want to turn there.

And I'll read to you and you'll begin to see it once when we read it what he is saying here.

Is there a 45? I'm going to begin in verse 21 and read to the end of the chapter. Tell and bring forth your case. Yes, let them take counsel together who has declared this from ancient time. He has it who has told it from that time had not I Yahweh and there is no other bad besides me a just God and a savior.

There is none besides me. Look to me and be saved. All the ends of the earth and God and there is no other. I have sworn by myself the word has gone out of my mouth and righteousness and shall not return that to me, every knee shall die. Every time shall take enough.

He shall say, surely. I have righteousness and strength. To him men shall come and also be ashamed who are incensed against him. In your way all the descendants of Israel shall be justified and. Shall glory. So the next time you have those who call themselves Jehovah's Witnesses, come to your door.

And they have their doctored New Testament, which has a bunch of the verses about Jesus being the one true and living God in the flesh messed up. Take him to Philippians 2 verses 9 through 11 and then take him to Isaiah 45 and say, There's only one person who can be the savior.

He emphasizes about himself the Lord Jehovah Yahweh emphasizes about himself over and over again in Isaiah 45 are alone and God Ireland can save this is why it's so bad for you to want to make up for your own sins to God because he says you can't do that the only one who can make up for sins is Jehovah is your way.

Which is why it's so marvelous. That he became a man because in order to atone for our sins, he had to die. As a man, he can't die or say as God he can't die but a mere man could not save and say in order to be able to save and to be able to die.

Jesus had to be God and man. And when Jesus saves us from our sins on the cross, he shows who he is doesn't he that he is this Yahweh who said I alone and God to me every knee shall bow to me every time shall take an earth and the apostle says you see what God has given the name that God has given his son is not only a name that is rightfully his in his eternal person.

But it's a name that he earned by adding to himself that humanity in which he could die for our sins, it's a name that in his human nature he has owned by saving us. Because only all I can say. And so Jesus's name is Jesus. Means Yahweh saves. You shall call his name.

Jesus said the angel to Joseph because he saw save his people. From their sins and so it is his by right in his divine person and his divine nature it is his bite earning in his death on the cross and finally. His death on the cross is what God responds to the most everything that Jesus has done is lovely to his father everything that Jesus has done in his humanity is pleasing to his father perfectly righteous and yet when he talks about what he does and he says, therefore my father loves me because I, Many of you know, the texts, don't you?

Because I lay down my life that I may take it again. You see of all that Christ did that which was most lovely that which was most pleasing was this humbling himself to be the shepherd who lays down his life for his sheep and so the father responds to the person of his son and so the father responds to the deserts of his son the merit the wildness of his son and so the father was responds to the loveliness of his son and his pleasure in his son and he says, Everyone is going to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord even those who are incensed against me, you're

remember that moment to go from Isaiah 45 will be ashamed oh there will confess that Jesus is Lord and hell they won't rejoice over and glory the way those who believe in him do at the end of Isaiah 45, and as I pray that you do.

We glory over the fact your rejoice in the fact that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.If this is our Father's pleasure that every creature in heaven and every creature on earth and every creature under the earth would confess. His Son Jesus Christ to be Lord unto His glory.

Shouldn't that be our pleasure to?Shouldn't we desire? Jesus to be demonstrated and celebrated and praised as the living God who added to Himself Humanity.In order that He might save us by His death fully God and fully man and one person forever and so our knees bow and our tongues can fast and we long for all knees about and all tongues confess to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord and because He and the Father and the Spirit are one God to be praised forever.

We confess that. He is Lord to the glory.Of God the Father. Let's pray.

Our Father we thank you for the truth that you teach us in other places in your word.That when we humble ourselves under your mighty hand, you lift us up and do time as well.But we thank you and praise you for this testimony.That Christ who has humbled Himself in a way that only He could humble himself.

And Christ that Christ you have exalted in a way that only he can rightly be exalted.And so we pray that you would make us to imitate Him in bringing ourselves low and entrusting you who judged justly but we pray that you would make our hearts desire and delight in.

His being glorified the way we learn from this passage that you delight to glorify your son to glorify yourself and your son.And so we pray Holy Spirit that that for which you have been sustaining him and his humanity from conception that.Which we ask that you would be working in us now to recognize and to respond to that you would make us to glorify him that you would make our hearts to love his glory even as you love both us and his glorious spirit which we ask in Jesus' name.

Amen.