

THE EXALTED CHRIST

Philippians 2:9-11

INTRODUCTION:

Today, we continue our study in Philippians with the sermon titled: **The Exalted Christ.** To exalt means to elevate above others; to raise to the highest position, rank, and power; to raise to supreme majesty. The exaltation of Christ refers to His resurrection, ascension, and glorification at the Father's right hand.

- I. The Reason for Christ's Exaltation** (v. 9a)
 - A.** Jesus laid aside His glory as God the Son (vv. 7-8).
 - B.** Jesus did not try to make a reputation for Himself (v. 7).
 - C.** Jesus was a servant – healed all manner of disease, fed the hungry (v. 7)
 - D.** Jesus was resurrected from the dead (Acts 5:30).
 - E.** Jesus ascended to Heaven after His resurrection (Acts 1:9).
 - F.** Jesus is sitting at God's right hand (Mark 16:19; Acts 2:33).

- II. The Title of Christ's Exaltation** (v. 9b)
 - A.** God gave Christ a name above every name (v. 9b)
 - B.** The Names of Jesus in the Bible

- III. The Response to Christ's Exaltation** (vv. 10-11a)
 - A.** At the High Name of Jesus every knee will bow (v. 10)
 - B.** At the High Name of Jesus every tongue will confess that Jesus is Lord (v. 11)

- IV. The Purpose of Christ's Exaltation** (v. 11b)
 - A.** Glorifying God is the purpose of Christ's exaltation.
 - B.** As Jesus faced the cross, He prayed in John 17:1
 - "Father, the hour has come; glorify Thy Son that Thy Son also may glorify Thee."
 - C.** We also glorify God by acknowledging His greatness, holiness, faithfulness, love, grace, mercy, sovereignty, power, and presence.

CONCLUSION:

- A.** There is a Name I Love to Hear
- B.** The Exaltation of Christ is an encouragement to Salvation.
- C.** Romans Road to Salvation (Rom 3:10, 23; 5:8; 10:9, 13)

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"... the word of our God shall stand for ever" (Isa 40:8).