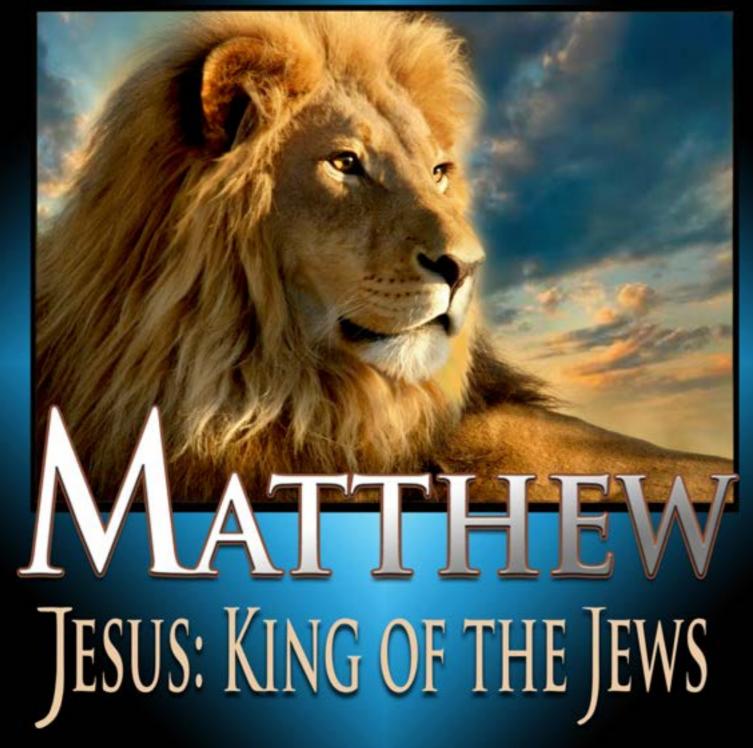
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Messiah: The Glory of the God-Man Matthew 16:28–17:2; Philippians 2:5–9





Matt. 16:21, "From that time Jesus began to show to His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised the third day."

Matt. 16:24, "Then Jesus said to His disciples, 'If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.'"

Matt. 10:38, "And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me."

Matt. 16:28, "Assuredly, I say to you, there are some standing here who shall not taste death till they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom."

Matt. 17:1, "Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves;

Matt. 17:2, "and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light."

μεταμορφόω *metamorphoō* aor pass indic 3 sing to change form



### Two Streams from the Old Testament Converge in Jesus of Nazareth



A Human Messiah

#### **Understanding the Hypostatic Union**

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φρονέω phroneō present active imperative 2P "to think, reason, mental attitude"

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Heb. 1:3, "who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,"

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ἡγέομαι hēgeomai
aorist middle
indicative deponent
3S
"to engage in an
intellectual process,
think, consider,
regard"

WHO (Lord Jesus Christ) although He eternally existed with identical essence to God did NOT think...

Is this thinking, this mental attitude, part of His Deity...or His humanity?

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ἀρπαγμός harpagmos accusative masculine singular "grasp, seize, snatched"

- 1. a violent seizure of property, robbery
- 2. equivalent to *harpagma*, something to which one can claim or assert title by gripping or grasping

WHO (Lord Jesus Christ) although He eternally existed with identical essence to God did NOT think EQUALITY WITH GOD A CLAIM TO BE SELFISHLY GRASPED AFTER

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ἀλλά; alla,
"But,"
strong contrastive
conjunction

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κενόω kenoō, aorist active indicative 3S "to make empty, to empty, to render void, to divest of position"

**Christ performed the action on Himself** 

έαυτοῦ; heautou, reflexive pron. accusative masculine 3S

"Himself"

Phil. 2:7, "but emptied Himself, [by] taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men."

λαμβάνω lambanō
Aor act part masc sing nom to take, receive, choose; an adverbial ptcp of means. "By MEANS of receiving..."

## HE EMPTIED HIMSELF <u>BY RECEIVING</u> THE FORM OF A SERVANT

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γίνομαι *ginomai* aorist middle participle;

- "To come into being, to come into existence."
- "... And by means of coming into existence" contrast with His Deity which "existed" eternally vs. 6

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ομοίωμα homoiōma dat neut sing likeness, the essence of humanity

#### HE EMPTIED HIMSELF

#### BY TAKING THE FORM (NATURE) OF A SERVANT

AND

BY COMING INTO EXISTENCE

IN
THE ESSENCE
OF A MAN.

hypostatic union [Greek υπόστασις, (hupostasis) substantial nature, essence, actual being, reality.]

The hypostatic union describes the union of two natures, divine and human, in the one person of Jesus Christ. These natures are inseparably united without loss or mixture of separate identity, without loss or transfer of properties or attributes, the union being personal and eternal. Jesus is undiminished deity and true humanity in one person forever.

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σχήμα schēma dat neut sing form, outward form "the generally recognized state or form in which someth. appears"

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ταπεινόω tapeinoō aor act indic 3 sing "to humble, to see oneself in proper relation to reality, to place under authority"

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γίνομαι ginomai participle aorist middle deponent nominative masculine singular

"he humbled himself by becoming obedient"

Phil. 2:9, "For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name,"