

The Humiliation and Exaltation of Jesus Christ

from Philippians 2:6-11

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We gather around the LORD'S Table because the Lord commanded it when He said, "This do in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19; I Cor 11:24). Our time in Philippians 2:5-11 together centers our attention on both the humiliation and the exaltation of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, which is the record of both His descent and ascent. Our time around the table moves us to behold five facets of our faith:

- 1) We should choose to look back and praise our Lord for what He has done on our behalf, that we might know the forgiveness of sin and experience everlasting life. In worship we remember Christ's death on Calvary's Cross.
- 2) We should choose look ahead and trust our Lord. He is the way, the truth and the life (John 14:6).
- 3) We should look around and choose to serve our Lord. He created us and saved us for his own glorify. He is worthy of worship and glorified in the proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- 4) We should look up and expect our Lord. He is coming back soon and we need to be ready (John 14:3).
- 5) We should choose to look within and confess any sin that might hinder this time of worship and blessing.