

Crystallization-Study – Humanity of Christ

In the Fulfillment of the Eternal Economy of God

The Flesh

- **John 1:1** – In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- **John 1:14** – And the Word became flesh and tabernacled among us (and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only Begotten from the Father), full of grace and reality.
 - Christ as the very God became **flesh**.
- **Rom. 8:3** – ... God, sending His own Son in the likeness of the flesh of sin and concerning sin, condemned sin in the flesh.
 - Christ did not become sinful flesh but came in the **likeness** of the flesh of sin.
 - He was the **reality** of the **bronze serpent** lifted up by Moses in the wilderness.
- As the very God who became flesh, Christ was the **real tabernacle**.
 - The incarnated Christ became God's **dwelling place** among men, the tabernacle of God.
 - The incarnated Christ was full of the **glory** of the **only begotten Son of God**.
 - He was also full of **grace** (God gained by us) and **reality** (God realized by us).
 - Christ Himself is the grace to be gained and enjoyed by us and the reality to be realized and experienced by us.
- **1 Cor. 15:45** – So also it is written, “The first man, Adam, became a living soul”; the last Adam *became* a life-giving Spirit.
 - As the Word who is God, Christ became the **last Adam**, the last man.
- In this flesh Christ became the **seed of David**, the **seed of Abraham**, and the **seed of the woman**.
- Christ became flesh to **suffer**, to be **crucified**.
- **Luke 24:39** – See My hands and My feet, that *it is I* Myself. Touch Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you behold Me having.
 - After His resurrection Christ showed that He still had the **resurrected flesh and bones** of God's **new creation**, which will be His **body of glory** when He comes back.
 - When Christ returns, we also will be transfigured to be the same in body as He is. We will be **conformed to the body of His glory**.

Christ's Ministry in the Flesh

- As the Word becoming the flesh, He brought **God into man**, making **God one with man**.
- **1 Tim. 3:16** – And confessedly, great is the mystery of godliness: He who was manifested in the flesh, / Justified in the Spirit, / Seen by angels, / Preached among the nations, / Believed on in the world, / Taken up in glory.
 - Christ was God **manifested in the flesh**.
- Christ came in the likeness of the flesh of sin to **condemn sin**.
- Christ was **put to death for our sins**, the Righteous on behalf of the unrighteous.
- On the cross He **abolished the law of the commandments in ordinances** to create in Himself the Jewish believers and the Gentile believers into **one new man**.
- Through His death Christ **reconciled all things to God**.
- Christ's death through the shedding of His blood **ministers to His believers eternal life and makes Him one with them**.
- Through His death He **initiated for us a new and living way to enter into the Holy of Holies** through the splitting of His crucifixion.
 - Christ's crucifixion split the veil, that is, the human flesh.

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