

Sermon Guide

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sermon discussion questions

"Jesus, the Better Man"

- Has observing or experiencing something in creation ever made you feel small?
- Have you ever struggled to believe that God cares about you personally? Why?
- What attitude did Christ show in becoming lower than the angels? When did this happen?
- What "reward" would He get after He humbled himself? What principle does this teach?
- Why did Christ have to take a form of a man and lower Himself to save us (verse 6 asks a rhetorical question on this topic)?
- How does that make you feel? How should we respond to Christ's sacrifice for us?
- What is not under Christ's rule/dominion (nothing)? What impact does that have on us knowing that everything is controlled by Christ?
- What does it mean the He would "taste death for everyone?"

dig deeper:

"When God becomes a Man and lives as a creature among His own creatures in Palestine, then indeed His life is one of supreme self-sacrifice and leads to Calvary."

~C.S. Lewis

Read: Psalm: 8

What motivated David to ask "of what importance is the human race, that you should notice them?" Who gives human beings value (v. 5)? How does God display that value to us? How does knowing that God has granted mankind "honor and majesty" change the way you think about the people around you? After reading this passage, how might you explain why our hearts are so easily led to satisfy their own desires rather than follow revealed knowledge? How might truly believing that you are the son or daughter of God change the way you view your occupation or role in life? What obstacles are there in your life right now that keep you from believing this truth? What do you need to change about the way you see yourself to align with how God sees you? Because of Christ's work on the cross, our worth to God and our relationship with Him are back in their proper place. How can we practically live out this inheritance?

preschool ***questions***

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(your family, His name, how we live, etc).
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student ***questions***

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- Who is more important to God, angels, or humans?
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