

# Bethel Bible Series

## Jesus the Man

### NT Study 3

*Love is an action, not a feeling.* - PK

Welcome

Opening - Why was it important that Jesus was fully God?

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Prayer Requests and Opening Prayer

## Review of Last Week

Review of Last Week - *The Word Became Flesh*

First Century Jewish Worship Centers

The Temple

Central place to look to God and present offerings and sacrifices

Original temple built by Solomon, Destroyed by Babylonians at exile

Post-exile temple expanded and embellished by Herod the Great

The Synagogue (Greek for *Coming Together*)

Local gathering place for worship, Bible Study, public meetings

Originated during Babylonian captivity when there was no temple

Where Jesus and Paul taught in towns they visited

First Century Jewish Movements

Pharisees

Lay movement focused entirely on keeping God's Law, Led synagogues

Accepted OT books, believed dead would rise when Messiah came

Sadducees

Snobbish priests and nobility, Accepted Pentateuch, Focused on worship rituals

Rejected Pharisee law, resurrection, afterlife, angels

Zealots

Militant group who opposed foreign domination, Fell at Masada in 73 AD

Scribes

Experts of God's Law, Were judges in the Sanhedrin, Evolved into rabbis

Essenes

Pious sect separated from society, Dead Sea Scrolls at Qumran, 150BC-70AD

Celibate (adopted babies), lived communally, objected to temple and sacrifices

Who Was Jesus? - Names Given By Others

Jesus (physical name)

Son, Brother

Son of David

Rabbi (Teacher)

Great Prophet

Lord, King

Son of God

God With Us (Immanuel)

Lamb of God

Savior (Jesus, Joshua)

The Anointed One

Christ, Messiah

*The Word Became Flesh*

John 1:1-3 = *In the beginning was the Word ... and the Word was God.*

John 1:14a = *The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.*

John 14:9 = *Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father*

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### Lesson - *Jesus the Man*

The Mystery of The Trinity = Create page 5 drawing on board

How many Gods exist? = *GOD in center of drawing*

Deuteronomy 6:4 = ONE, *Yahweh our God ... is one*

One man is one person. Is the same true with God? = *F/S/HS IS GOD in drawing*

Matthew 28:19 = No, there are 3 Persons in the 1 God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit)

Are these three Persons really just different views of the same God? = *IS NOT between F/S/HS*

John 16:12-15 = No, each is distinct from the other two

How do the three Persons of God differ? = Different roles

2 Corinthians 13:14 = Grace of Son, Love of Father, Fellowship of Holy Spirit

How does Paul describe the Three Persons of God in his letter to the church in Ephesus?

Ephesians 1:3-6 = Father blessed us, chose us, adopted us, gave us grace

Ephesians 1:7-12 = Son redeems, forgives, revealed mystery, became head of all

Ephesians 1:13-14 = Holy Spirit marks us, guarantees our inheritance

Wrong Concepts of The Trinity (page 6)

The Trinity by Division = Each Person is a distinct Person, not a third of God

John 17:5 = Jesus talks and makes requests of God the Father

The Trinity by Addition = God is 3 Persons, Not 3 separate gods

John 10:30 = *I and the Father are one*

The Trinity by Shiftwork = The 3 Persons are not God acting different ways at different times

John 14:16 = Jesus says He will ask the Father to send the Counselor

The Trinity by Succession = NOT -> Father is God, Son was created, Spirit is God's power

John 1:1 = The 3 Persons have always existed in the 1 God

Creeds, Our Statements of Faith (page 8) = Developed in the early years of the church

Nicene Creed - Speaks to the Divinity of Jesus = 325 AD by council in Nicea

Apostles' Creed - Speaks to the Humanity of Jesus (page 7) = Probably around 100AD

Humbled Himself as man (steps down on picture)

was conceived by the Holy Spirit

(Luke 1:35)

born of the virgin Mary

(Matthew 1:23)

suffered under Pontius Pilate

(John 19:1,16)

was crucified

(John 19:18)

died and was buried

(John 19:30, 42)

Exalted in victory over the grave (steps up on the picture)

He descended into hell

(1 Peter 3:19-20)

the third day He rose again from the dead

(Matthew 28:1-10)

He ascended into heaven

(Luke 24:50-51)

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty

(Ephesians 1:19-22)

from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead

(John 5:28-30)

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### Both God and Man

How much of God is in Jesus?

Colossians 2:9 (also 1:19) = *in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives*

Why was it important for Jesus to be fully God?

Matthew 11:25-27 = Allowed God to reveal Himself and His plan to His world

Matthew 1:23 = Jesus was called Immanuel (*God with us*)

Why was it important for Jesus to be man?

Hebrews 2:14-15 = To share in our humanity and destroy Satan by his death

Was Jesus just God in man's clothing or fully man?

Hebrews 2:17 = *He had to be made like his brothers in every way...to make atonement*

Luke 2:7 = Born of a woman

### The Human Nature of Jesus

Temptation = Could have sinned like Adam, but didn't

Matthew 4:1 = *Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil*

Hebrews 2:18 = Since He was tempted, He can help those who are being tempted

Anger

Mark 11:12-14 = Cursed a leafy fig tree for having no fruit (symbolic of Israel)

Mark 11:15-17 = Drove the moneychangers and dove sellers out of the temple

Rejection

John 7:7 = *The world ... hates me*

John 6:66-67 = *Many disciples turned back and no longer followed Him*

Friendship

John 11:5 = *Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus*

Mourning

John 11:14, 33-36 = Jesus cried at the death of Lazarus, then raised him

Fatigue

John 4:6 = Rested by a well after becoming tired from walking

Hunger

Matthew 4:2 = Was hungry after fasting 40 days and nights

Thirst

John 19:28 = From the cross He said, *I am thirsty*

Sorrow and Fear

Luke 19:41 = He wept over Jerusalem and its future disaster

Matthew 26:38-39 = *My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death*

Suffering and Pain

Matthew 16:21 = Explained that He must suffer and be killed and raised

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#### Jesus As The New Adam - Similarities

Born in the fullness of God's image

Genesis 1:27 = *God created man in His own image*

Colossians 1:15 = *He is the image of the invisible God*

Born without sin

Genesis 2:25 = *The man and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.*

2 Corinthians 5:21 = *Jesus was him who had no sin*

Tempted by Satan

Genesis 3:1-5 = *Satan tempted Eve and Adam to eat forbidden fruit*

Matthew 4:1-11 = *Devil tempted Jesus in the wilderness*

Called to live within a limited freedom

Genesis 2:16-17 = *Free to eat from any tree except one*

Philippians 2:8 = *Jesus called to fulfill Father's plan at great cost to self*

#### Jesus As The New Adam - Differences

Yearning for greatness

Genesis 3:5 = *Ate fruit to be like God, knowing good and evil*

Philippians 2:6-7 = *Was already God, didn't try to be like God, became servant*

Introduced death vs. resurrection

Genesis 3:19 = *Death and hard work resulted from Adam's sin*

1 Corinthians 15:21-22 = *As in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive*

#### The Full Powers of Humanity

What did people who saw Jesus raised as a child think about his powers?

Matthew 13:54-56 = *They were amazed and wondered where He got His powers*

Did Jesus have these powers because He was God?

Matthew 17:18-21 = *No, these powers are available to anyone with faith*

#### Jesus the Man

*Kneeling Figure* = Jesus of Nazareth - The Messiah, though God, was totally human

*Cradle and Infant* = Born of a woman

*Hand and Dust* = True creature of the earth, had all of original man's attributes

*Halo Behind Head* = Born in the image and likeness of God

*Bowed Head* = Had a perfect willingness to follow the will of the Father instead of His own

*Crown* = Crown of God's creation, Showed man as God designed him to be

*Flower-decked Staff* = Perfectly obedient, He had full powers, promises and potentials of man

*Shaft of Light* = Displayed a fulfilled humanity, This is my beloved Son...

#### Closing Prayer

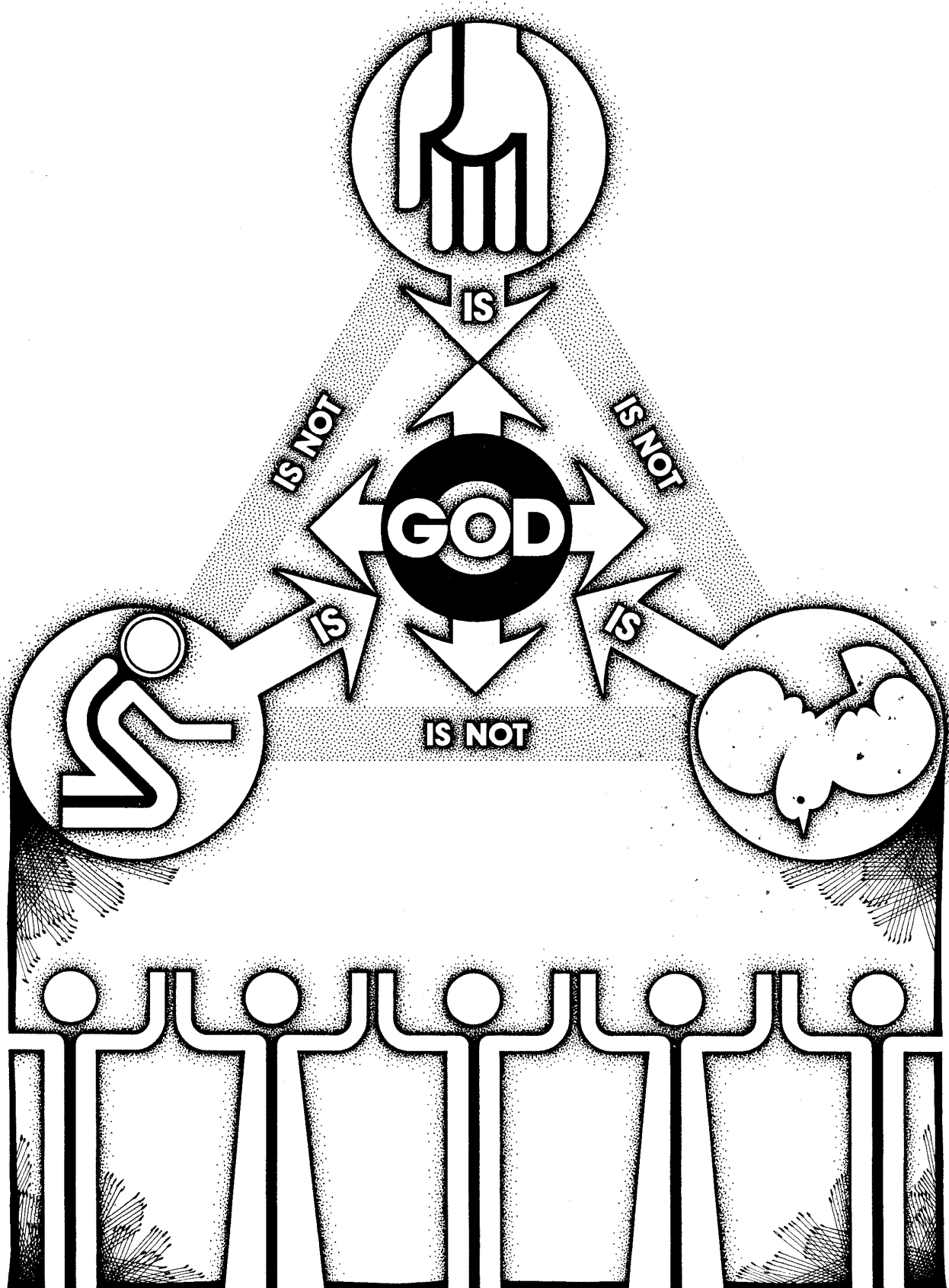
Distribute Materials = Hand out Study 3 and Assignment 4

Next Week - *Jesus, Spokesman to Distortion*

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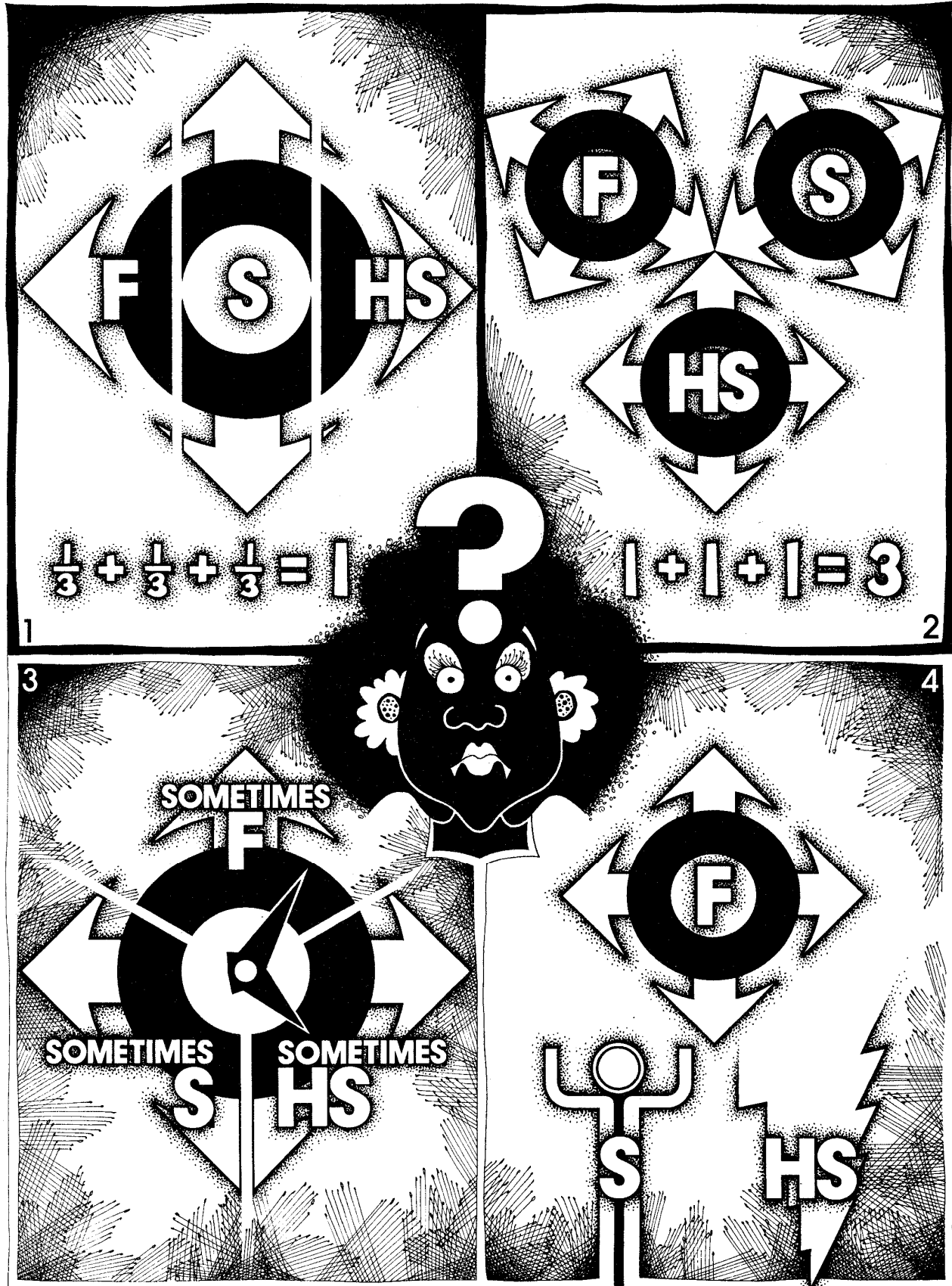


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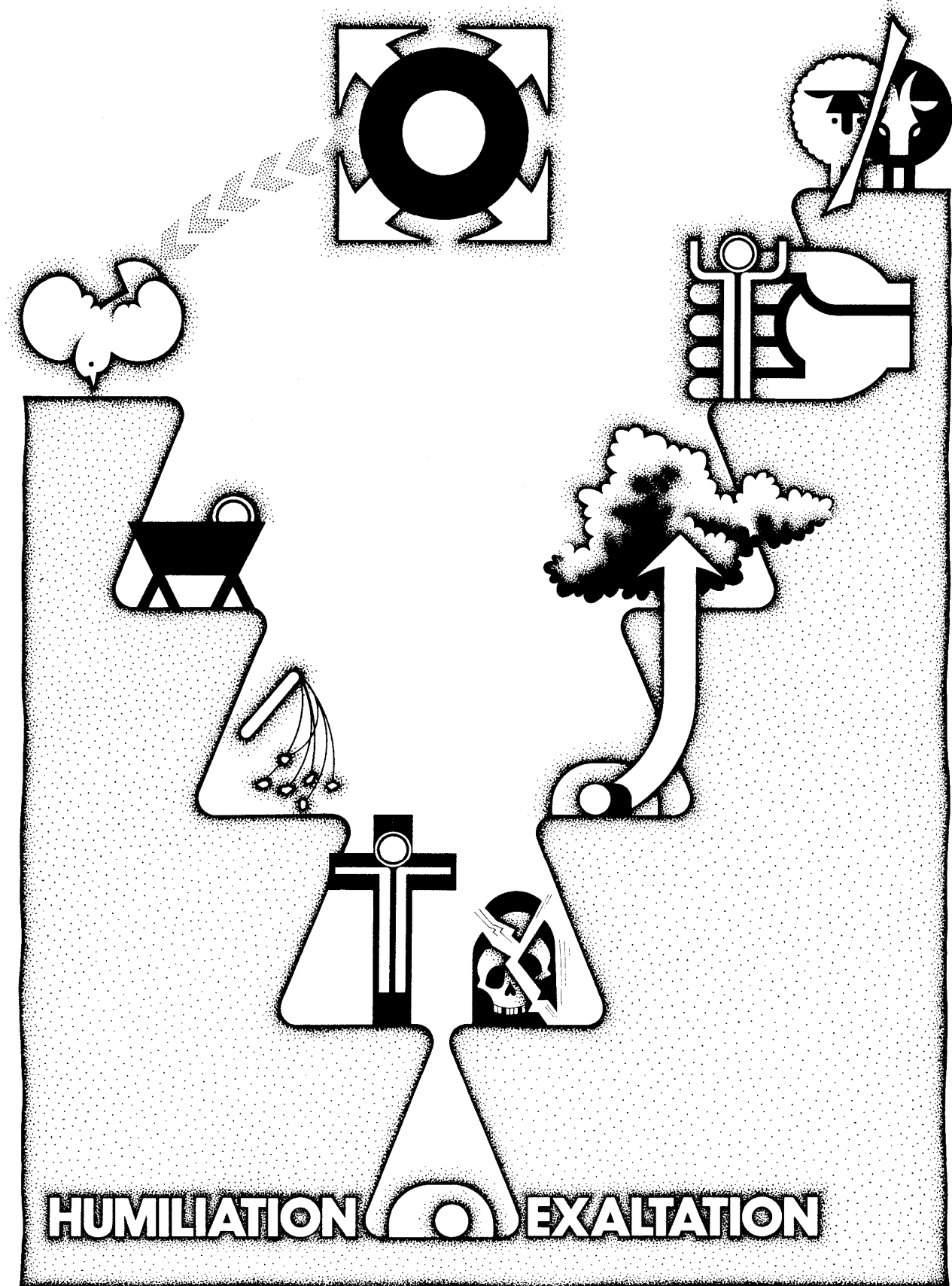


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### Our Statements of Faith

#### The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,

The Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth and  
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation  
came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit  
of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under  
Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried;  
And the third day He rose again  
according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sits at the right hand  
of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to  
judge both the living and the dead  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian  
and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the  
remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come.

#### The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,

The Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ,  
His only Son,  
  
our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again  
from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty.

From thence he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.