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THE HUMANITY OF CHRIST

The perfect humanity of Christ advanced through all stages of spiritual growth, reaching spiritual maturity at the early age of twelve years old [Luke 2:40].

His attainment of spiritual self-esteem characterized by virtue personal love toward God and its attainment of spiritual autonomy characterized by virtue impersonal love toward all men [Luke 2:52].

The humanity of Christ signified His positive volition to the plan of God the Father submitting to the baptism of John. His immersion symbolized His obedience to the plan of the Father for His first coming. Plans of grace that no one but the infinite and perfect impeccability of Jesus Christ could execute.

Christ's declaration of His submission to God's will elicited the strongest possible attestation of our Lord's spiritual maturity [Matthew 3:17, John 1:14]. As true humanity, Christ had utilized the divine sphere fulfilled the pattern of spiritual growth.

At the outset of His public ministry, He was immediately taken into the desert, to face His evidence testing [Matthew 4:1-15]. The humanity of Christ was tested severely all throughout His ministerial days. The account recorded in Matthew chapter 4 is only partial of His daily testing.

FACTS BEFORE HIS BIRTH

It is impossible to produce a biography of the Lord Jesus Christ due to very limited materials provided by the writers of the Scripture. We cannot accept the non-canonical materials and materials from extra-Biblical sources.

Numerous prophecies from Genesis to Malachi are related to His birth as true humanity [Isaiah 9:1-2]. The appearance of an angel first to Mary [Luke 1:26-38], and then to Joseph [Matthew 1:18-25] concerned about the first coming of the Lord Jesus. His predecessors were also mentioned [Isaiah 40:3-5, 9-10, Matthew 3:1-3, Mark 1:2-3, Luke 7:24-27].

THIRTY YEARS IN NAZARETH

Although this lasted for 30 years, yet the material is confined only to the birth stories and one brief incident when Jesus was about twelve years old [Luke 2:41-52].

The four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) are composed of 89 chapters with a total of 3744 verses. However, only eleven (11) verses are related to His 30 years in Nazareth. Compare to 8 chapters or over 1800 verses related to His last 10 days before His death.

His home life in Nazareth for 30 years has little relevance to our spiritual life because of their negative volition and open rejection of the Messiah and the Word of God.

The people of Nazareth called Him nothing but the “carpenter” or the “son of the carpenter” is an obvious indication of their hardness of the heart (hardening of the καρδιά) [Matthew 13:55, Mark 6:3].

The mystery of the hidden years also reveals the reality that any believer has the same potential for maximum for spiritual maturity in any given situation or circumstances.

The real issue about the hidden years is not what He did or what He did not do, but WHO AND WHAT HE IS inside the cosmos διαβολιχυσ. That is, how He maintained His perfect impeccability in their midst of sinful men.

The real issue about the virgin birth is not the virginity of Mary but the birth of the Son of God into perfect humanity (without old sinful nature ανδ Αδαμιχ original sin) –the real issue is the kenosis.