

Holy Spirit's Ministry to Christ

① The	of Christ	Matthew 1:18-21; Luke 1:26-38
Matthew 1:18	Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: when His mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit.	
Matthew 1:20	the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit	
Luke 1:35	The angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; and for that reason the holy Child shall be called the Son of God.	

Genesis 3:15	And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise you on the head, And you shall bruise him on the heel.
Job 3:32-33	³² For <i>He is</i> not a man as I am that I may answer Him, That we may go to court together. ³³ There is no umpire between us, Who may lay his hand upon us both.
1 Tim 2:5	For there is one God, <i>and</i> one mediator also between God and men, <i>the</i> man Christ Jesus
Hebrews 2:14-18	¹⁴ Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵ and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives. ¹⁶ For assuredly He does not give help to angels, but He gives help to the descendant of Abraham. ¹⁷ Therefore, He had to be made like His brethren in all things, so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ For since He Himself was tempted in that which He has suffered, He is able to come to the aid of those who are tempted.

② The	of Christ	Matthew 3:13-17; Mark 1:9-11; Luke 3:21-22; John 1:32
Matthew 3:13-17	¹³ Then Jesus *arrived from Galilee at the Jordan <i>coming</i> to John, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴ But John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I have need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?" ¹⁵ But Jesus answering said to him, "Permit <i>it</i> at this time; for in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he *permitted Him. ¹⁶ After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove <i>and</i> lighting on Him, ¹⁷ and behold, a voice out of the heavens said, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased."	

Are we saved by works?

Mark 1:4	John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.
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Why was Jesus baptized?

2 Cor 5:21	He made Him who knew no sin <i>to be</i> sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.
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O the sweet exchange, O the incomprehensible work of God,
O the unexpected blessings, that the sinfulness of many should be hidden in one righteous person, while the righteousness of One should justify many sinners!

The Epistle to Diognetus, Chapter 9:2-5

Martin Luther,

"Learn to know Christ and him crucified. Learn to sing to him, and say, 'Lord Jesus, you are my righteousness, I am your sin. You have taken upon yourself what is mine and given me what is yours. You have become what you were not so that I might become what I was not.'"

③ The of Christ		Matthew 4:1-11; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13
Matthew 4:1	Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.	
Luke 4:1-13	<p>Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led around by the Spirit in the wilderness ² for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And He ate nothing during those days, and when they had ended, He became hungry. ³ And the devil said to Him, “If You are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread.”⁴ And Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live on bread alone.’”</p> <p>⁵ And he led Him up and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. ⁶ And the devil said to Him, “I will give You all this domain and its glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I give it to whomever I wish. ⁷ Therefore if You worship before me, it shall all be Yours.” ⁸ Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘You shall worship the Lord your God and serve Him only.’”</p> <p>⁹ And he led Him to Jerusalem and had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to Him, “If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down from here; ¹⁰ for it is written, ‘He will command His angels concerning You to guard You,’ ¹¹ and,</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">‘On <i>their</i> hands they will bear You up, So that You will not strike Your foot against a stone.’”</p> <p>¹² And Jesus answered and said to him, “It is said, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’”</p> <p>¹³ When the devil had finished every temptation, he left Him until an opportune time</p>	

James 1:13	Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God”; for God cannot be tempted by evil, and He Himself does not tempt anyone.
Hebrews 4:15	For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin.

④ The of Christ		Luke 4:16-21
Luke 4:16-21	<p>¹⁶ And He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up; and as was His custom, He entered the synagogue on the Sabbath, and stood up to read. ¹⁷ And the book of the prophet Isaiah was handed to Him. And He opened the book and found the place where it was written,</p> <p>¹⁸ “THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR. HE HAS SENT ME TO PROCLAIM RELEASE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET FREE THOSE WHO ARE OPPRESSED, ¹⁹ TO PROCLAIM THE FAVORABLE YEAR OF THE LORD.”</p> <p>²⁰ And He closed the book, gave it back to the attendant and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him. ²¹ And He began to say to them, “Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”</p>	

Psalm 2:1-2	² Why are the nations in an uproar And the peoples devising a vain thing? The kings of the earth take their stand And the rulers take counsel together Against the LORD and against His Anointed.
Isaiah 11:1-2	² Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse, And a branch from his roots will bear fruit. The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him, The spirit of wisdom and understanding, The spirit of counsel and strength, The spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.
Isaiah 61:1-2	² The Spirit of the LORD God is upon me, Because the LORD has anointed me To bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to captives And freedom to prisoners; To proclaim the favorable year of the LORD

What kinds of people were anointed in the OT?

Exodus 30:30	You shall anoint Aaron and his sons, and consecrate them, that they may minister as priests to Me.	
1 Samuel 15:1	Then Samuel said to Saul, “The LORD sent me to anoint you as king over His people, over Israel	
1 Samuel 16:12-13	¹² So he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, with beautiful eyes and a handsome appearance. And the LORD said, “Arise, anoint him; for this is he.” ¹³ Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers; and the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. And Samuel arose and went to Ramah.	
1 Kings 1:34	Let Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet anoint him there as king over Israel, and blow the trumpet and say, ‘Long live King Solomon!’	
1 Kings 19:15-16	¹⁵ The LORD said to him [Elijah], “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus, and when you have arrived, you shall anoint ... Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint as prophet in your place.	

- A king is to _____ on behalf of God over His people.
- A priest is to _____ between God and His people.
- A prophet is to _____ the Word of God to His people.

Hebrews 4:14	Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.	
Rev 19:15-16	¹⁵ From His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may strike down the nations, and He will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty. ¹⁶ And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written, “KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.”	

Acts 3:17-23	¹⁷ “And now, brethren, I know that you acted in ignorance, just as your rulers did also. ¹⁸ But the things which God announced beforehand by the mouth of all the prophets, that His Christ would suffer, He has thus fulfilled. ¹⁹ Therefore repent and return, so that your sins may be wiped away, in order that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord; ²⁰ and that He may send Jesus, the Christ appointed for you, ²¹ whom heaven must receive until <i>the</i> period of restoration of all things about which God spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets from ancient time. ²² Moses said, ‘The Lord God will raise up for you a prophet like me from your brethren; to Him you shall give heed to everything He says to you. ²³ And it will be that every soul that does not heed that prophet shall be utterly destroyed from among the people.’
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Acts 2:36	Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ—this Jesus whom you crucified.
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The Westminster Shorter Catechism

What offices does Christ execute as our Redeemer?

Christ as our Redeemer executes the office of a prophet, a priest, and a king, both in His estate of humiliation and exaltation.

⑤ The _____ of Christ	Matthew 12:25-29; Luke 4:14
Matthew 12:28	But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.
Luke 4:14	And Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about Him spread through all the surrounding district.

Acts 10:38	Jesus of Nazareth, how God anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and <i>how</i> He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.
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⑥ The	of Christ	Hebrews 9:13-14
Hebrews 9:13-14	¹³ For if the blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkling those who have been defiled sanctify for the cleansing of the flesh, ¹⁴ how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?	

Penal: Jesus suffered _____ for the sins of His people.

Substitution: He did it on behalf of His people as _____.

Atonement:

A. He died as a _____ to God.	
John 1:29	The next day he saw Jesus coming to him and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”
1 Cor 5:7	For Christ our Passover also has been sacrificed.
B. The wrath of God was _____.	
Romans 3:24-25	²⁴ being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; ²⁵ whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. <i>This was</i> to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed;
Hebrews 2:17	Therefore, He had to be made like His brethren in all things, so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.
1 John 2:1-2	My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ² and He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for <i>those of</i> the whole world.

1 John 4:10	In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son <i>to be</i> the propitiation for our sins.
C. _____ was made.	
Romans 5:10-11	¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. ¹¹ And not only this, but we also exult in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.
Colossians 1:21-22	²¹ And although you were formerly alienated and hostile in mind, <i>engaged</i> in evil deeds, ²² yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death, in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach
D. _____ was paid; _____ was accomplished. [To redeem (lytroō), is to purchase by paying a ransom money (lytron).]	
Matthew 20:28	just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”
1 Timothy 2:5-6	⁵ For there is one God, <i>and</i> one mediator also between God and men, <i>the</i> man Christ Jesus, ⁶ who gave Himself as a ransom for all, the testimony <i>given</i> at the proper time.
Titus 2:11-14	¹¹ For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, ¹² instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, ¹³ looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus, ¹⁴ who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.
1 Peter 1:18-19	¹⁸ knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, ¹⁹ but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, <i>the blood</i> of Christ.

⑦ The	of Christ	Romans 1:1-4
Romans 1:1-4	Paul, a bond-servant of Christ Jesus, called as an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, ² which He promised beforehand through His prophets in the holy Scriptures, ³ concerning His Son, who was born of a descendant of David according to the flesh, ⁴ who was declared the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead, according to the Spirit of holiness, Jesus Christ our Lord,	

1 Cor 15:20-22	²⁰ But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep. ²¹ For since by a man <i>came</i> death, by a man also <i>came</i> the resurrection of the dead. ²² For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive.	
Hebrews 7:23-25	²³ The <i>former</i> priests, on the one hand, existed in greater numbers because they were prevented by death from continuing, ²⁴ but Jesus, on the other hand, because He continues forever, holds His priesthood permanently. ²⁵ Therefore He is able also to save forever those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.	
Romans 5:8-11	⁸ But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. ¹¹ And not only this, but we also exult in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.	
Galatians 1:1	Paul, an apostle (not <i>sent</i> from men nor through the agency of man, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised Him from the dead)	

Romans 8:11	But if the Spirit of Him [the Father] who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.
John 2:19-21	¹⁹ Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” ²⁰ The Jews then said, “It took forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?” ²¹ But He was speaking of the temple of His body.
John 10:17-18	¹⁷ For this reason the Father loves Me, because I lay down My life so that I may take it again. ¹⁸ No one has taken it away from Me, but I lay it down on My own initiative. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This commandment I received from My Father.

Summary

How did Jesus do everything He did?

Nestorianism

Philippians 2:1-11 (LSB)	Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, ² fulfill my joy, that you think the same <i>way</i> , by maintaining the same love, <i>being</i> united in spirit, thinking on one purpose, ³ doing nothing from selfish ambition or vain glory, but with humility of mind regarding one another as more important than yourselves, ⁴ not <i>merely</i> looking out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. ⁵ Have this <i>way of thinking</i> in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, although existing in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied Himself, by taking the form of a slave, by being made in the likeness of men. ⁸ Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore, God also highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
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Philippians 2:6-11

The _____ of Christ (vv. 6-8)
Christ did not consider equality with God something to be grasped but He emptied Himself He humbled Himself
The _____ of Christ (vv. 9-11)
Therefore, God highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name above every name

Who [Christ], being in the form of God,

Hebrews 1:3	And He [Christ] is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature
John 17:5	Now, Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.

did not consider equality with God something to be grasped

but He emptied Himself,
*taking the form of a slave,
 being born in the likeness of men,
 being found in appearance as a man,*

“To empty (*kenoō*)” means “to nullify,” or “to make of no effect.”
 Kenosis: Christ’s “self-emptying” in His incarnation.

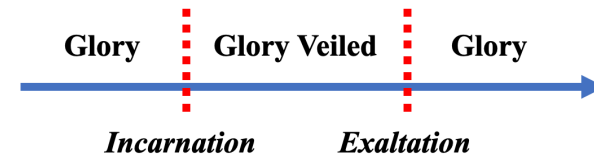
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Crucifixion => Resurrection => Ascension => Exaltation => 2nd Coming

and bestowed on Him the name above every name,

Lord (κύριος) translates YHWH in Septuagint.
 θεός (God) => δούλος (slave) => κύριος (Lord).



John 14:28	because I go to the Father, for the Father is greater than I.
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so that, at the name of Jesus, every knee will bow those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,

Isaiah 45:23

to the glory of God the Father

1 Cor 15:28	When all things are subjected to Him, then the Son Himself also will be subjected to the One who subjected all things to Him, so that God may be all in all.
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The “**Kenosis**”

- consisted in the surrender of Christ’s _____.
- involved the assumption of _____ by Christ.
- included the veiling of _____ of the Son.
- involved the voluntary non-use of Jesus’ _____.
- required Jesus to depend on _____.
- resulted in the exaltation of Jesus _____.

Luke 2:52	And Jesus kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.
Matthew 24:36	But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone.
John 17:17-19	¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth. ¹⁸ As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ For their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they themselves also may be sanctified in truth.