

# What Christ Became For Us

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God has done so much for us! The greatest display of God's love is seen through Jesus Christ. Just consider what the second person of the Godhead became for our sakes:

**Christ became flesh** – *"And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld his glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father), full of grace and truth" (John 1:14 ASV); "Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham" (Hebrews 2:14-16; cf. Hebrews 4:15; Philippians 2:5-7).*

**Christ became poor** – *"For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich" (2 Corinthians 8:9); "And Jesus saith unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head" (Matthew 8:20).*

**Christ became obedient unto death** – *"And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross" (Philippians 2:8); "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God" (Hebrews 12:2).*

**Christ became the offering for sin** – *"For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him" (2 Corinthians 5:21); "But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified" (Hebrews 10:12-14).*

**Christ became the firstfruits of them that slept** – *"But now is Christ*

*risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept” (1 Corinthians 15:20).*

**Christ became the head of the corner** – *“The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner. This is the LORD'S doing; it is marvelous in our eyes” (Psalm 118:22, 23); “To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious, Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded. Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner, And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed” (1 Peter 2:4-8; cf. Matthew 21:42; Acts 4:11).*

**Christ became the author of eternal salvation** – *“And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him” (Hebrews 5:9); “Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved” (Acts 4:12).*

Is Christ the author of your salvation? Have you obeyed Him? Jesus commands us all to hear the Word of God (John 6:45; Romans 10:17); believe in Jesus as the Son of God who died for our sins, was buried, and rose again the third day (John 8:24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-4); repent of our sins (Luke 13:3, 5); confess faith in Christ (Matthew 10:32; Acts 8:37); be immersed in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins (Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38); and be faithful, walking in the light of God's Word (Revelation 2:10; 1 John 1:7).