

The Robe of Human Frame

Welcome

As We Gather

Why did Jesus have to come among us as a human being? Why didn't He come as an angel or some other kind of being that is stronger and more powerful than us? While angels may be a source of endless fascination to the Christian and to the world, they have no power to save us. In this week's sermon, we will hear why taking on the "robe of [our] human frame" was not only a good idea but also necessary for our salvation. Angels are wonderful, but they are not Jesus. He came as one of us so that He could redeem us as His own.

Stand

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Opening Hymn - Man of Sorrows

Verse 1

Man of sorrows Lamb of God
By His own betrayed
The sin of man and wrath of
God
Has been on Jesus laid

Where Your love poured out
over me
Now my soul cries out to my
Savior
Praise and honour unto Thee

Verse 2

Silent as He stood accused
Beaten mocked and scorned
Bowling to the Father's will
He took a crown of thorns

Verse 3

Sent of heaven God's own
Son
To purchase and redeem
And reconcile the very ones
Who nailed Him to that tree
(Chorus)

Chorus

Oh that rugged cross my
salvation

Tag

Praise and honor unto Thee

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Opening Sentences

Joel 2:13; Matthew 16:24; Isaiah 53:5, alt.

- P** Return to the LORD, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,
- C** **slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and He relents over disaster.**
- P** Jesus said, "If anyone would come after Me,
- C** **let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me."**
- P** Christ was wounded for our transgressions;
- C** **He was crushed for our iniquities.**

Confessional Hymn - Purify My Heart

Purify my heart
Touch me with Your cleansing fire
Take me to the cross
Your holiness is my desire
Breathe Your life in me
Kindle a love
That flows from Your throne
Oh purify my heart
Purify my heart
(Repeat)

Psalm

Psalm 104:1–10, 33–35

- P** Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, You are very great!
- C** **You are clothed with splendor and majesty, covering Yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent.**
- P** He lays the beams of His chambers on the waters;
- C** **He makes the clouds His chariot; He rides on the wings of the wind;**
- P** He makes His messengers winds, His ministers a flaming fire.
- C** **He set the earth on its foundations, so that it should never be moved.**

- P** You covered it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.
- C** **At Your rebuke they fled; at the sound of Your thunder they took to flight.**
- P** The mountains rose, the valleys sank down to the place that You appointed for them.
- C** **You set a boundary that they may not pass, so that they might not again cover the earth.**
- P** You make springs gush forth in the valleys; they flow between the hills;
- C** **I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**
- P** May my meditation be pleasing to Him, for I rejoice in the LORD.
- C** **Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more!**
- P** Bless the LORD, O my soul! Praise the LORD!
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Sit

Reading

Micah 5:2–5a

- P** A reading from the fifth chapter of Micah.

² But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah,
 who are too little to be among the clans of Judah,
 from you shall come forth for me
 one who is to be ruler in Israel,
 whose origin is from of old,
 from ancient days.

³ Therefore he shall give them up until the time
 when she who is in labor has given birth;
 then the rest of his brothers shall return
 to the people of Israel.

⁴ And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the
 strength of the LORD,
 in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.

And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great
to the ends of the earth.

⁵And he shall be their peace.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Reading

Hebrews 1

P A reading from the first chapter of Hebrews.

¹Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. ³He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

⁵For to which of the angels did God ever say,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”?

Or again,

“I will be to him a father,
and he shall be to me a son”?

⁶And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says,

“Let all God’s angels worship him.”

⁷Of the angels he says,

“He makes his angels winds,
and his ministers a flame of fire.”

⁸But of the Son he says,

“Your throne, O God, is forever and ever,
the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your
kingdom.

⁹You have loved righteousness and hated

wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.”

¹⁰And,

“You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the
beginning,

and the heavens are the work of your hands;

¹¹they will perish, but you remain;

they will all wear out like a garment,

¹²like a robe you will roll them up,

like a garment they will be changed.

But you are the same,

and your years will have no end.”

¹³And to which of the angels has he ever said,

“Sit at my right hand

until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet”?

¹⁴Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the
sake of those who are to inherit salvation?

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Passion Reading

Mark 14:12–31

P The Passion of Our Lord according to St. Mark, the
fourteenth chapter.

¹²And on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they
sacrificed the Passover lamb, his disciples said to him,
“Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the
Passover?” ¹³And he sent two of his disciples and said to
them, “Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water
will meet you. Follow him, ¹⁴and wherever he enters, say to
the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says, Where is my
guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my
disciples?’ ¹⁵And he will show you a large upper room
furnished and ready; there prepare for us.” ¹⁶And the

disciples set out and went to the city and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

¹⁷And when it was evening, he came with the twelve.

¹⁸And as they were reclining at table and eating, Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." ¹⁹They began to be sorrowful and to say to him one after another, "Is it I?" ²⁰He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me. ²¹For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born."

²²And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." ²³And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it.

²⁴And he said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. ²⁵Truly, I say to you, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

²⁶And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. ²⁷And Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away, for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.' ²⁸But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." ²⁹Peter said to him, "Even though they all fall away, I will not." ³⁰And Jesus said to him, "Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times." ³¹But he said emphatically, "If I must die with you, I will not deny you." And they all said the same.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Responsory

P We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.

C **He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**

- P** Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
- C** **He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**
- P** We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.
- C** **He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.**

Sit

Hymn - O Love, How Deep

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Sermon

Offering - Father How Sweet

Praise Team

Stand

Litany

- P** Let us pray to our Father in heaven in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

From all sin, from all error, from all evil;
 From the crafts and assaults of the devil; from sudden and evil death;
 From pestilence and famine; from war and bloodshed; from sedition and from rebellion;
 From lightning and tempest; from all calamity by fire and water; and from everlasting death:

- C** **Good Lord, deliver us.**

- P** By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity;
 By Your baptism, fasting, and temptation; by Your agony and bloody sweat; by Your cross and Passion; by Your precious death and burial;
 By Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:

- C** **Help us, good Lord.**

P In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment:

C **Help us, good Lord.**

P We poor sinners implore You

C **to hear us, O Lord.**

P To rule and govern Your Holy Christian Church; to preserve all pastors and ministers of Your church in the true knowledge and understanding of Your wholesome Word and to sustain them in holy living; To put an end to all schisms and causes of offense; to bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived;

To beat down Satan under our feet; to send faithful laborers into Your harvest; and to accompany Your Word with Your grace and Spirit:

C **We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

P To raise those who fall and to strengthen those who stand; and to comfort and help the weakhearted and the distressed:

C **We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

P To give to all peoples concord and peace; to preserve our land from discord and strife; to give our country Your protection in every time of need;

To direct and defend our [*president/queen/king*] and all in authority; to bless and protect our magistrates and all our people;

To watch over and help all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation; to protect and guide all who travel;

To grant all women with child, and all mothers with infant children, increasing happiness in their blessings; to defend all orphans and widows and provide for them;

To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young

children; to free those in bondage; and to have mercy on us all:

C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to turn their hearts; to give and preserve for our use the kindly fruits of the earth; and graciously to hear our prayers:

C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, You loved us with all You had. We give thanks that You became one of us, no matter the pain, so that You might redeem each of us as Your own. Hear us, Jesus Christ, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

- P** The blessing of our heavenly Father, the strong love of His † Son and our Brother, Jesus Christ, and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C** Amen.

Closing Song - O Christ, You Walked the Road

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Luther's Evening Prayer

- C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.
Amen.

Dismissal

- P** Go in peace and
C serve the Lord!

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