

**“Possessing True JOY”**  
**Philippians: A Book Study**  
**“Pay Me Now OR Pay Me Later”**  
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**Text: Philippians 2:9-11**

*“<sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” (ESV)*

Philippians 2:9-11 marks the switch from describing Jesus’ humiliation to His being exalted above all.

Consider....

**1. THE S OF CHRIST’S EXALTATION – v.9a “God...highly exalted Him...”**

Four steps were included:

- A. R \_\_\_\_\_ – SEE Acts 5:30
- B. ASCENSION – 1 Timothy 3:16c says, “*was taken up in glory.*” Going home!
- C. C \_\_\_\_\_ – Again from Acts 5 (31)...
- D. I \_\_\_\_\_ – Romans 8:34 says, “*...Christ Jesus, who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.*”

**2. THE T OF CHRIST’S EXALTATION – v.9b “...and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name....”**

The Father conferred upon the Son the name.

**3. THE R TO CHRIST’S EXALTATION – v.10-11a**

Homage is to be paid to the Savior, the exalted Lord.  
PAY ME NOW OR PAY ME LATER.

Those who will submit to the supreme authority of Jesus Christ will comprise three groups:

**4. THE P OF CHRIST’S EXALTATION – v.11b**

The G \_\_\_\_\_ of God.