

## A VOICE OF ALL NATIONS

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### THE HUMILATED AND EXALTED CHRIST

The exalted and humiliated Christ is the main subject in today's Lectionary lessons. This Christology makes a profound appeal to us because human history is that of marginalization and exaltation. Most great men and women of God were humiliated. They were persecuted. Our Lord Jesus went through humiliation even though all things were created through Him and for Him; and even though He is the Lord of the Cosmos; and that it is in Him that all things hold together. He emptied Himself - He became a human being. How tiny was the Lord of the Universe on His first day in His mother's womb? According to biologists, the fetus, in its first day, is as tiny as a typed *period*. And as though that was not enough, He took a form of a slave to be executed as a criminal. He humbled Himself and became obedient to death, even death on the cross.

Yet God has exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, and that at the name of JESUS, every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth. And every tongue shall confess that JESUS CHRIST is the LORD, to the glory of God, the Father. Humiliation and exaltation are recurring experiences in our earthly pilgrimage. Yet we are assured of victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. So, whatever you are going through at this very moment, if you are in Christ; be assured that you are more than a conqueror. His words to us are: *In the world, ye shall have tribulation; but, be of good cheer; I have overcome the world. John 16:33*

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