Jesus, Your name, be the banner over us Philippians 2:1-10

BANNER

Philippians 2:6-7 CSB ...who, existing in the form of God, did not consider equality with God as something to be exploited. ⁷ Instead he emptied himself by assuming the form of a servant, taking on the likeness of humanity.

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being in very nature God NIV

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...he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal to God. John 5:18 CSB ...who, existing in the form of God, did not consider equality with God as something to be exploited.

harpagmos (1) the act of seizing something by force (aka, robbery) (2) something seized and/or held by force (aka, booty or treasure) did not consider it robbery to be equal with God NKJV did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped ESV did not consider equality with God as something to be exploited CSB

"...did not regard His being on an equality of glory and majesty with God as a prize and a treasure to be held fast" E.H. Gifford & Samuel Andrews, *The Incarnation of Christ*

Philippians 2:5-7 SWT/CSB Adopt the same attitude as that of Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was fully God, did not consider equality with God as a prize and a treasure to be held fast. ⁷ Instead he emptied himself by assuming the form of a servant, taking on the likeness of humanity.

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Matthew 20:25-28 CSB Jesus called them over and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those in high positions act as tyrants over them. ²⁶ It must not be like that among you. On the contrary, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ²⁷ and whoever wants to be first among you must be your slave? ²⁸ just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

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homoioma that which has been made after the likeness of something else

"It means the eternal, infinite, divine One, worshipped by Cherubim and Seraphim, Creator of all things, sustainer of all things, infinite in His being, wisdom, power, majesty, glory, who at a word could dissolve the world that had sinned against Him, was willing to come into this world and assume our flesh in order to become our Savior." **Sinclair Ferguson**