SERMON OUTLINE

SERMON TITLE: A Savior Who Stoops Down To Us
PASSAGE: Luke 2:1-7
DATE: November 19, 2021

I. Jesus Stoops Low in His Incarnation

- "though he was in the form of God, [he] did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men." - Philippians 2:6-7

II. Jesus Stoops Low in His Birth

- "And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn." Luke 2:7

III. Jesus Stoops Low in His Life

- "The reason that Jesus is in such close solidarity with us is that the difficult path we are on is not unique to us. He has journeyed on it himself. It is not only that Jesus can relieve us from our troubles, like a doctor prescribing medicine; it is also that, before any relief comes, he is with us in our troubles, like a doctor who has endured the same disease." Dane Ortlund
- Jesus invites the humbled and lowly to himself for grace and help
- Jesus aims to make us humble and lowly like him
- "Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others." - Philippians 2:3-4
- "One great lesson of the gospel is to teach us to be meek—to put away our high and angry spirits, and to make us lowly in heart...We can learn nothing, even of Christ himself, while we hold our heads up with pride, or exalt ourselves with self-confidence.
- We must be meek and lowly in heart, otherwise we are totally unfit to be taught by Christ. Empty vessels may be filled; but vessels that are full already can receive no more. The man who knows his own emptiness can receive abundance of knowledge, and wisdom, and grace, from Christ; but he who glories in himself is not in a fit condition to receive anything from God." - Charles Spurgeon

IV. Jesus Stoops Low in His Death