

The Adopted Life

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Exalted in Due Time

The Scripture says that we should humble ourselves so that we may be exalted in due time (1 Peter 5:6). This is what happened to Jesus. Even though he was humbled in his suffering, in due time the Father exalted him in his Ascension. Jesus' humiliation led to his glorification, and our lives follow the same pattern. As John points out in his article this week, Jesus' glorification takes place in those who believe.

This humbling in order to be exalted is one way to understand the difference between believers and non-believers that Tim describes this week in his article. To believe in the Ascended Jesus is to be included in his humiliation and his glorification and to understand that truth. Those who do not believe are also included in the humiliation and glorification of Jesus, but they have no understanding of what is happening to them or what their destiny will be in Jesus.

~ Jonathan Stepp