

RECONCILIATION II

EFFECTED IN THE BODY OF
JESUS

JESUS & THE HOLY SPIRIT

- Special Moments of the Holy Spirit's Work in the Incarnation:
 - 1. Jesus is conceived by the Holy Spirit in the womb of his mother
- Matt 1: 20
- Creed

- 2. Jesus is filled with the Holy Spirit at his baptism
- “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased” (Matt 3, Mark 1, Luke 3)
- Returns to Galilee in the power of the Spirit (Luke 4: 13)
- Begins his public ministry

- 3. Transfiguration of Jesus
- “As he prayed, the appearance of His face was altered, and His robe became white and glistening. “ (Luke 9: 29)
- A prefiguring of His resurrection
- A preparation for his death (“exodus” Luke 9. 31)

- 4. His Resurrection and Ascension
- “Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear.” (Acts 2: 33)
- Totally filled with the Holy Spirit and totally penetrated with the glory of God as man.

JESUS REDEEMS US IN HIS BODY

- In his passion, Jesus allows the full weight of human sin to crush Him and to tear Him apart.
- This happens in and to His Body.
- In this, Jesus does not complain, He refuses to blame others, He absorbs everything.
- “For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God.” (2 Cor. 5: 21)

- “For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:
- Who committed no sin
- Nor was deceit found in His mouth
- Who, when he was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously.” (1 Peter 2: 21 - 23)

WRONG MODEL

- Masses of human sin
- No possibility of a merely human punishment being enough
- Needs a sacrifice of infinite value
- Done by God-man
- With no connection, no identification, just a legal transaction

RIGHT MODEL

- Jesus becomes man in this place among this people at this time
- He identifies himself fully - through the Holy Spirit
- He takes upon himself the weight of sin
- The reconciliation with God is effected in his own body through the Holy Spirit
- Through sacrificial death & God raising him

