

# God's Gracious Act

by A.W. Tozer

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*God's gracious act of becoming human is a mysterious and awe-inspiring act that requires faith and understanding.*

**Scripture:** Philippians 2:7, Hebrews 2:16

**Topics:** "Divine Humility", "The Mystery of God"

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## Description

A.W. Tozer emphasizes the profound mystery of God's gracious act in becoming human, highlighting the incredible humility of the Infinite choosing to limit Himself by taking on the nature of the seed of Abraham rather than that of angels. He reflects on the wonder of this divine condescension and encourages believers to accept the mystery of God's actions without needing to fully understand them. Tozer cites John Wesley's wisdom in distinguishing the act of God from the method of its execution, urging us to trust in God's wisdom and sovereignty. Ultimately, he calls for a humble acknowledgment of God's greatness and our limited understanding.

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## Transcript

We do well to remember that mankind is only one order of God's beings or creatures. So we wonder: How could the Infinite ever become finite? And: How could the Limitless One deliberately impose limitations upon Himself? In the book of Hebrews we learn to our amazement that God took not upon Him the nature of angels, but He took upon Him the seed of Abraham. We would suppose that God in stepping down would step down just as little as possible. But instead He came down to the lowest order and took upon Himself the nature of Abraham-the seed of Abraham.

I like what John Wesley said concerning this mysterious act of God in stooping down to tabernacle with us: we should be sure to distinguish the act from the method by which the act is performed.

Do not reject a fact because we do not know how it was done, Wesley advised. With the saints of all ages, we do well just to throw up our hands and confess: "Oh Lord, Thou knowest!"

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