

Jesus renounced His citizenship in Heaven.



THOUGH JESUS WAS RICH, for our sakes He became poor, that we through His poverty might become rich. Jesus not only had to come down and live amongst us, but He had to be one of us. He had to become a member of the human community.

He came as a meek and quiet, weak and helpless baby. He not only adapted Himself to our bodily form, but also conformed to the human ways of life. He was human. He got tired. He got hungry. He got weary. He was subject to all these things, even as we are, yet without sin, that He might have compassion upon us, know how we feel, know when we're footsore and weary, know when we've had enough.

God sent Jesus to become a human being in order that He might better reach us with His Father's love, communicate with us on the lowly level of our own human understanding, and have more mercy and patience with us than God Himself. Think of that!

"He knows our frame; He remembers that we are dust" (Psalm 103:14), having worn that frame Himself, suffering in it, and dying in it for our sakes. He came down here to our level that He might take us with Him back up to His. What a miracle—all for our sakes!