

Review of Philippians 2:1–8; the Humiliation of Christ: Obedience to the Salvation Plan of God inside the Prototype, v. 8b; E-mail from a Dorito

20. What Jesus had was unconditional love, not only for those who would believe in Him, but also those who would not believe.
21. This unconditional love was expressed by His willingness to take on the form of a man while restricting the independent use of His divine attributes.
22. Therefore, in verse 8, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient, the aorist active participle of the verb **γίνομαι (ginomai)**.
 - aorist: Constative: contemplates the action in its entirety and gathers it into a single whole: Jesus' obedience to the plan of God throughout the ordeal of the cross.
 - active: Jesus produced the action by enduring spiritual death on our behalf.
 - participle: Instrumental: involves the means by which the action of the main verb is accomplished and generally answers the question, "How?"¹
23. The main verb is **ταπεινώω (tapeinoō)**: "He humbled Himself." How this was accomplished is "by becoming obedient." *Obedient* is the noun **ὑπήκοος (hupēkoos)**: compliance with the demands of one in authority.

¹ Daniel B. Wallace, *Greek Grammar: Beyond the Basics* (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1996), 139.