

Chapter 3

1) What did Jonathan Edwards state makes Christ glorious?

What does the word *admirable* mean?

What does the word *conjunction* mean?

What does the word *diverse* mean?

What does the word *excellencies* mean?

Rephrase Edwards' statement in your own words.

2) In the second paragraph, Piper lists eight ways that "diverse excellencies" come together in Christ. List them.

- i. _____ mixed with _____.
- ii. _____ tempered with _____.
- iii. _____ sweetened by _____.
- iv. _____ with God, yet a _____ for God.
- v. _____, yet patient to _____.
- vi. _____ clothed with _____.
- vii. Baffled _____, but _____.
- viii. He could _____, but would not _____.

Can you think of anyone or anything else that compares to this?

3) What "extremely diverse qualities" does Revelation 5:5-6 depict of Christ?

4) How did the Lion of Judah conquer?

5) What sort of Lamb is Christ in Revelation 5:6?

i. The Lamb is _____. Explain.

ii. The Lamb has _____. Explain.

(over)

6) How does Christ being a lamb-like Lion and a lion-like Lamb correspond to our...

...personal weakness? Explain.

...longing for personal greatness? Explain.

Further Study

7) Read Jonathan Edwards' sermon *The Excellency of Christ*.

8) Yours truly wrote the following hymn, "He Is Altogether Lovely," based off of Edwards' sermon. Read it and list the "diverse excellencies" paired in its verses. (It can be sung to Hyfrydol, the tune of "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus.")

1. He is altogether lovely,
Jesus Christ, the Risen Lord.
We delight to see His glory
As unfolded in His Word.
In one person are conjoining
Attributes diverse and grand.
The eternal God and Maker,
In the flesh and form of man.

2. High, we see the Lion of Judah
Coming in His might to reign.
Low, we see Him condescending
As the Lamb who would be slain.
Perfect justice, endless glory,
And unrivaled majesty
Meet transcendent grace and meekness,
Perfect in humility.

3. One and equal with the Father,
Absolute in sov'reignty,
He resigns in full submission;
Deepest rev'ence bends His knee.
He, whose is supreme dominion,
Does obey His Father's will.
He, the self-sufficient fountain,
Trusts in God His needs to fill.

4. He is worthy of all honor.
He is worthy of all praise.
Yet with patience in His suff'rings,
No complaint do His lips raise.
He, our Judge, the Lion of Judah,
Is our Savior and God's Lamb.
He is altogether lovely,
Jesus Christ, the great I AM!