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have been thoroughly conversant w. the terms of this prayer. In 17³ the same predication of J.C. shows the conviction of J. that the reality & the deity of the Father is predicable also of Jesus. John must have been infallibly inspired to write in this manner.

[v]. In above gives J's high-priestly prayer. He must have been thoroughly

g. Phil 2⁶⁷

i. In the form of God, This does not distinguish between the thing & its abiding reality. Cf. F. Bacon. It is the abiding reality. It is the eternal reality. It is the existent reality. It is strengthening the term God. The form here does not mean similarity but identity; not appearance but reality.

ii. It wasn't something he had to lay hold of or attain to. It was by virtue of his very Godhood. It means equality with God.

iii. Fullness of the Godhead bodily.

H. The Decrees of God.

Def. The decrees refer to the operational extra, not the operational intra. They refer to creation & providence. The intrinsic & eternal relations of the persons of the Godhead to one another do not fall w/i the scope of the divine decrees. The word itself refers to that which God willed to be & therefore to that which God willed to begin to be. Since the eternal & intrinsic relations of the persons of the Godhead to one another didn't come to be, & therefore never were willed to be, they cannot belong to the realm of the divine decrees.

Distinct:

a. We must distin. between the decrees themselves & their execution. The execution of the divine decrees take place in time. The decree itself refers to God's et