The Orthodox Icon - Truth of the Incarnation of Jesus Christ

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Abstract

From a theological perspective, the basis of venerating the icons is represented by the reality of the Incarnation of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Also, there is a need of human being for material and for knowledge with his whole being the Revelation of God. We argue that the veneration of the icon is relative because we honor the holy person painted on it. Our veneration passes to the prototype and we do not stop to the material. We bring into discussion the whole disputes from the eight century, when the Council from Nicaea took place. In conclusion, the adoration belongs only to God and for the holy persons we offer them simple veneration.