Hypostatic Union

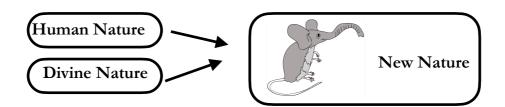
(Hy·po·stat·ic Un·ion, n. The Union of Christ's human and divine natures into one being (from Gk. ὑπόστασις = being))

How can Christ be both truly human and truly God?

a) Wrong answer 1: Jesus has a human body and a divine mind (Apollinarianism)



b) Wrong answer 2: Jesus has only one nature (Monophysitism)



c) Wrong answer 3: Jesus is a human and a divine person (Nestorianism)







d) Right answer: Jesus is one person with 2 natures (Chalcedonian Definition)







...and therefore He can save us!

For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus... (1Timothy 2:5).

Wrong answer 4: Jesus emptied himself of certain divine attributes (Kenotic theory)

[Christ Jesus] being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; ⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. (Philippians 2:6-7)

...No, Jesus gave up not his attributes but his rights!



