

Charles Spurgeon said, "the birth of Jesus is the grandest light of history, the sun in the heavens of all time. It is the pole star of human destiny, the hinge of chronology, the meeting place of the waters of the past and the future." Today we look at the WHO, WHY, and HOW of this momentous event.

Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-3

Songs of Praise

Cannons Reckless Love

Announcements and Offering

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Corporate Confession of Sin

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our

offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.

Assurance of Pardon

Galatians 3:13-14

Song of Declaration

Make Room

Sermon - The ONE Savior

Sermon Scripture - Matthew 1:18-25

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Who

- What is different about this text as opposed to everything we've done in this series so far?
 - Matthew 1:18
 - Genesis 3:15
 - Isaiah 53
 - Isaiah 7
 - Isaiah 9
 - Micah 5:1-2
- What is unique about Jesus (Matthew 1:23)? Why does it matter?
 - "The Son of God, the second person of the Trinity, being very and eternal God, of one substance and equal with the Father, did when the fullness of time was come, take upon him man's nature with all the essential properties, and common infirmities thereof, yet without sin... " - Westminster Confession of Faith 8.2
- How does Luke help give insight into the ministry of Jesus?
 - Luke 1:11

Why

- Why did God send Jesus (Ephesians 2:4-5)?
- When did God save us? Why is the timing important?
- Why was Jesus a willing sacrifice?
 - Matthew 26:36-46

How

- What does Paul say about Jesus in Philippians 2:5-7?
- Where do we find promises of redemption in the Old Testament?
 - Genesis 3:15
 - Psalm 22
 - Isaiah 53
 - Zechariah 12:10
- Why did Jesus come?

Conclusion

- What was the one purpose for which Jesus came to us?
 - Luke 19:10

Song of Response

I Will Rise

Benediction

- 1. What is the defining moment of your lifetime? Why did you choose this event?
- 2. How would most people in the church respond to the question of how can I be saved? What about those outside of the church?
- 3. Were you aware of the multiple references to the redemption through Jesus in the OT (Genesis 3:15, Isaiah 7, Isaiah 9, Isaiah 53, Micah 5:1-2 to name a few)? Is that an essential aspect of the gospel narrative?
- 4. Read Philippians 2:5-7. How should we respond to what Christ has done for us?
- 5. Read Ephesians 2:4-5. Why is it essential to grasp the reality of these two verses?
- 6. Has our current series helped you see the overarching storyline of the Bible? Has that been beneficial in your spiritual walk?