



Is this it...?

A Christmas Sermon Series

CHRISTMAS GROUP THERAPY

I DON'T BELIEVE
IN MYSELF.

I THINK
I'M BI-POLAR.

ALL THE OTHER
REINDEER LAUGH
AND CALL ME
NAMES.

I'M
TRAPPED
IN A
DEAD-END
JOB.



Glen
McQuay

Matt Woodly writes...

It means that Jesus is God with us as he swims in Mary's amniotic fluid, wiggles in the manger's straw, feeds the hungry and heals the sick. Jesus is God with us as he takes the bread in his hands and says, "This is my body broken for you." Jesus is God with us as he hangs from a cross, gasping for breath and shouting, "My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?" He descends into our messy world, standing in solidarity with human sufferers, plunging ever deeper into our pain and apparent abandonment.

Christmas is...

The simple meaning of Christmas is that the creator of the universe has become a human being. This is the meaning of Christmas.

When we say that Jesus Christ is God "Incarnate," we mean that the Son of God took on a fleshly, bodily form.

J.I. Packer writes...

"Remaining what He was, He became what He was not." Christ "was not now God minus some elements of His deity, but God plus all that He had made His own by taking manhood to Himself."

The Gospel is...

***“The Gospel is that God Himself has
come to rescue and renew creation in
and through the work of Jesus Christ
on our behalf.”***

The Great Exchange

YOU



UNRIGHTEOUS

JESUS



RIGHTEOUS



Here is the thing about the Gospel

The Gospel has saved us from the penalty of sin.

The Gospel is saving us from the power of sin.

The Gospel will save us from the presence of sin.

The Gospel did not just happen... it is happening.

This is Amazing!!

In Christ, God became a fish of sorts. He permanently took on a new nature and splashed into our little aquarium. The message of the incarnation was "Don't be afraid. Come close." Jesus in the incarnation made God safe to touch.

What We Bring is Nothing

What He wants are people who come and say, "I have no references, no resumes, no gifts attempting to earn my salvation; You owe me nothing; I deserve nothing; You have no reason to accept me except for what Jesus Christ has done.