

The Great Anticipation: The Christmas Gift That Changed the World

“The Baby is the Son of Man”

Daniel 7:13-14, Hebrews 1:1-4

The Lord's Day Morning

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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Six centuries before Jesus was born in Bethlehem, God promised through the prophet Daniel that he would send someone to rescue his exiled people. This mysterious person would somehow possess the attributes of both God and man and reign over an eternal, borderless kingdom with perfect wisdom and justice. The title of this promised king would be Son of Man, and for centuries God's people anticipated this gift. The title Jesus used to refer to himself most often is Son of Man. And eventually, it was his claim to this title that became the grounds for his arrest and execution.

Five Facts About the Son of Man

1. He is _____: Consubstantial (one substance) with God, he has a _____ nature.
2. He is _____: Consubstantial (one substance) with man, he has a _____ nature.
3. He is the _____: In this one person, two natures are joined in _____ without confusion, change, division, or separation.
4. He has _____: The God-Man came as the suffering Servant to save sinners and inaugurate his kingdom.
5. He is _____: The God-Man is coming again as the sovereign King to judge sinners and consummate his kingdom.