



SBSG – Sermon Series – Humbled: Jesus' Incarnation

The Purpose of a Sermon Based Small Group (to be read at the beginning of each gathering)

The purpose of our small group is to actively pursue Christ through relationships, as we worship, serve, and belong together.

READ ALOUD BY ALL (allow this prayer to shape your time together)

Dear God, help me in this dialogue to be humble & suspend judgment. I recognize that we are all created in your image. Give me courage to stay curious about each other by asking questions. Thank you, God, for this opportunity to meet together and in so doing grow closer to you. AMEN

Sermon Series: Humbled

Opening question: When have you experienced humility?

Sermon Synopsis: Jesus first act of humiliation was in his incarnation. God stepped out of the glory of heaven to become a human baby. How is it that the God who was there at creation would humble himself to become an infant? A baby who was totally dependent on a mother's care giving up perfection to live here on earth. What is it that we learn about God through this act?

Bible Reading

Reading the Bible is about reading for practice and spiritual formation – spiritual formation, in which the reader seeks to be formed by the Spirit of God.

Passage(s) from the sermon: John 1:1-14 (NRSV)

What questions do you have about the passages/sermon?

What do you feel God is saying to you through this passage?

Discipleship Point: The incarnation is an invitation to humility.

How can you practice humility this week?

Personal Prayer Request

Share a one or two sentence prayer request with the Small Group for this next week. Remember these prayer requests are about your life not someone else's.

(Sample Prayer)

God, we thank you for your presence with us. We lift up these requests to you knowing that you care deeply about us...we pray for _____ and _____ and (fill in prayer requests) ... God we know that you have heard our request and we release all outcomes to you and your glory. It's in your Son's name Jesus that we pray...**AMEN.**