

## **Why I Am Thankful Jesus Was Born in the Flesh**

*A Pastor's Gratitude for the Incarnation*

**Texts:** John 1:14 • Hebrews 2:14–18 • Philippians 2:5–11

### **Big Truth:**

The incarnation of Jesus Christ is the foundation of our salvation, our hope, and our daily assurance.

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### **I. Jesus Was Born in the Flesh So God Could Come Near**

#### **John 1:14**

- God did not remain distant—He entered our world
- Jesus lived among us and revealed God clearly

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### **II. Jesus Was Born in the Flesh So He Could Identify With Us**

#### **Hebrews 2:14–17**

- Jesus shared our humanity
- He understands suffering, temptation, and weakness

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### **III. Jesus Was Born in the Flesh So He Could Die for Sinners**

#### **Hebrews 2:9 • Romans 5:19**

- God cannot die, but God in the flesh could
- A real sacrifice was required for real sin

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#### **IV. Jesus Was Born in the Flesh to Be Our Merciful High Priest**

##### **Hebrews 4:15–16**

- Jesus intercedes with compassion
- We approach God with confidence through Him

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#### **V. Jesus Was Born in the Flesh to Model Obedient Faith**

##### **Philippians 2:6–8**

- Jesus humbled Himself and obeyed the Father
- He showed us how to live surrendered lives

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#### **VI. Jesus Was Born in the Flesh to Secure Our Future Glory**

##### **Hebrews 2:10 • Romans 8:29**

- Christ became like us so we could become like Him
- The incarnation leads to our transformation

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#### **Final Truth to Remember**

**Jesus was born in the flesh so sinners could be born again.**

*“God was manifest in the flesh...”* — 1 Timothy 3:16