

Kenmore Baptist Church Message Outline (Ryan Vallee)
Christmas through Heaven's Eyes: Who Jesus Is?
Incarnation, John 1:1-14

Distant God or Intimate Saviour?

Ezekiel 37:27, "My dwelling place will be with them; I will be their God, and they will be my people." God promises to walk, talk, and live with us.

King Solomon wondered, "Will God really dwell on earth with humans?" (2 Chronicles 2:18)

"Add the pauses" to hear and receive what the good news of Christmas is all about—God with us!

The Author Has Entered Our Story

John 1:1-3

Do you hear the echoes of Genesis?

John 1:4-5

*We battle with a darkness we experience and see in the world but we do so knowing our God who overcomes is *with us!*

God with Us—the Light of His Presence

John 1:6-13

John 1:14, “The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of *grace and truth.*”

The Trouble of Christmas

Christmas for the Trouble

Grace and Truth of Christmas

John 1:14b

*Truthfully we need a Saviour

* Grace comes to love us back to life.

Reflection: “Who is Jesus?”, How does He come to us today?

3 Marks of the Manger

1. Jesus comes to us in *Humility*

2. Jesus comes to us in *Vulnerability*

3. Jesus comes to us in *Weakness*

Who is Jesus for us today? “Come and See”

Section of Nicene Creed, 325AD

*The Christians gathered to write this down so all generations will know the incredible truth of God with Us.

*“We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.”*