

SERMON STUDY QUESTIONS

Welcome

1) What was Christmas like when you were a child? What memories stick out in your mind?

Word

Read John 1:1-14

- 1) The word "kitch" means "mass produced art in poor taste; often characterized by an excessive sentimentality." In what ways have we made Christmas and the incarnation kitch?
- 2) What are the inherent problems with God becoming a human being?
- 3) What are the great benefits for us in God becoming a human being?
- 4) What are the differences between understanding the doctrine of the incarnation and marveling at the wonder of the incarnation?
- 5) Which causes you to wonder the most: Jesus as an infant? Jesus as a two year-old? Jesus at twelve? Jesus at twenty-one? Jesus tempted? Jesus weary? Jesus dying?
- 6) How does the incarnation help us understand human suffering?
- 7) In what ways did Jesus enter into our world of violence?
- 8) Consider this statement from Gregory the Great: "In the mystery of the Incarnation God increases what is ours, without diminishing what is His." What does this mean?
- 9) What does the incarnation reveal to us about God?

Work

1) What steps can you take this Christmas season to reflect and wonder at the mystery of the incarnation?

Worship

- 1) Psalm for the Day - Sun: 55 / Mon: 56 / Tue: 57 / Wed: 58 / Thu: 59 / Fri: 60 / Sat: 61
- 2) Pray for each other