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John 1:14-18

# GOD CAME

*“The Word became flesh”* John 1:14

When the Bible describes Jesus as the Word, it reminds us that Jesus was so much more than a baby in a manger

*“The Word”* referred to the eternal Christ who made heaven and earth

*“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.”* John 1:1-3

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*He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.* Colossians 1:15-17

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What does the Bible mean when it declares –  
“*The Word became flesh?*”

It means God came

Not some of Him, all of Him

Not part of the way, but all of the way

He came to dwell among us

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The Creator entered our sinful, dying world

He came to seek and to save that which was lost

*“In Him was life, and the life was the light of men,  
and the light shines in the darkness, and the  
darkness did not comprehend it.”* John 1:4-5

# HE CAME, AND HE BECAME

*“The Word became **flesh**”* John 1:14

The Greek term was “*sarx*”; it meant “meat”

The eternal Word became Emmanuel, God with us

In Jesus, God completely closed the gap between Who He is and who we are

*“He came unto His own”* John 1:11

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The story of Christmas is the story of the Son of  
God coming here

Unless He became flesh, He could not fulfill  
God's purpose

# HE CAME, HE BECAME, AND WE ARE WITNESSES

*“We beheld His glory, the glory of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.”* John 1:16

The coming of Christ was an eyewitness experience

*“That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled concerning the Word of life...”* 1 John 1:1



# HE CAME, HE BECAME, AND WE ARE WITNESSES

Every year, people come to Christmas considering what they will do with Jesus

Each of us has to make his own decision

*“He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He came unto His own and His own did not receive Him.”* John 1:10-11

*“But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name.”*

John 1:12