

ADVENT 2012 The Word became Flesh

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John 1:1-2, 14

**I. THE WORD BECAME FLESH.**

**A. *The reality of the Incarnation.***

1. It was **prophesied** in scripture (Isa 7:14, 9:6).
2. It was **fulfilled** in Christ (Matt 1:18-23, Gal 4:4, Phil 2:5-8, 1 Jn 4:2).

**B. *The necessity of the Incarnation***

1. It was necessary for Him to identify with our **humanity** (Heb 2:14-15, 4:14-16).
2. It was necessary for Jesus to become our **High Priest** (Heb 2:17-18, 7:23-27).
3. It was necessary for Him to become our **sacrifice** (1 Pet 1:18-19, Heb 9:11-14).

**II. AND MADE HIS DWELLING AMONG US**

**A. *The result of the Incarnation.***

1. We are saved from our **sins** (Matt 1:20-21, Psa 130:8, Rom 5:9-11).
2. God is **with** us (Matt 1:22-23, Isa 41:10, 43:5).
3. God is **in** us (Jn 14:15-17, 22-23, Col 1:26-27, Jer 31:31-33).

**B. *The goal of the Incarnation.***

1. For the Word to become flesh in **us** (Jn 15:5-7, 2 Cor 3:23, Gal 4:19, Rom 8:29).
2. ...and live **large** in us (Psa 24:7-10, Isa 54:2, Eph 2:19-22, 3:14-19).