



1. Connect

Question of the Day. What is your favorite Christmas movie?

2. Engage: Sermon Review + Discussion

This Sunday we heard from Pastor Albert as he preached from John 1:1 and John 1:14. Read the passages below and dive into the following questions.

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." - John 1:1

"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." - John 1:14

1. John 1:1 says *"In the beginning was the Word"*. Genesis 1:1 says *"In the beginning God created the Heavens and the Earth."* What could the author of John be trying to tell us here? Could "the Word" mean more than just the words of Scripture?
2. John 1:14 says *"The Word became flesh"* Here we see "the Word" meaning more than just words on paper. The Word is Jesus! What does it mean for Jesus to be the living Word of God?
3. *"The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us". "Full of grace and truth."* Replace "The Word" with "Jesus" and read that passage again. Jesus came down to dwell with us, spend time with us and forgive us of our sins. But Jesus could have simply waved a wand and saved us all easily...He's God after all! So why do you think God chose to send His son in human form to walk with us, suffer for us and love us? What might God be trying to show us?

3. Apply: Next Faithful Step

1. This advent season how can you live out "grace and truth", showing forgiveness and compassion to those who need it most?
2. Jesus offers us eternal life in heaven...the ultimate gift! But sometimes we get caught up in the trivial gifts of Black Friday Sales and Santa's lists. Where have material gifts eclipsed the eternal gift of Jesus in your life? How can you begin to redefine "gift" in that area and see "The Word made flesh" come to light?



4. Prayer

Take some time to hear prayer requests from each member of your LifeGroup. Pray for one another, for your families, communities, our church, and the world.

*If anyone needs additional pastoral support or prayers regarding this sermon or any other aspect of our series, please don't hesitate to reach out to our pastoral staff. We would love to chat more deeply and pray with you.



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