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## The Word Became Flesh

John 1:14

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### I. The Incarnation of the Word (v. 14a)

A. The union of two \_\_\_\_\_ in one person (Heb. 7:26; 1 Tim. 3:16)

B. The Word never ceased being \_\_\_\_\_ (Jn 10:30; 17:22)

C. The Word never ceased being \_\_\_\_\_ (Lk. 2:52)

D. What the \_\_\_\_\_ accomplished

1. It was now possible for the Word to \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Gen. 3:15)

2. It was now possible for the Word to \_\_\_\_\_  
 life as a human (Heb. 4:15)

3. It was now possible for mankind to have a perfect \_\_\_\_\_  
 (1 Pet. 2:21; 1 Jn. 2:6)

### II. The Dwelling of the Word (v. 14b)

A. The tabernacle was for use in the \_\_\_\_\_

B. The tabernacle was \_\_\_\_\_, simple, and unattractive

C. The tabernacle was God's \_\_\_\_\_ place

D. The tabernacle was where God \_\_\_\_\_ with men

E. The tabernacle was at the \_\_\_\_\_ of Israel's camp

F. The tabernacle was the place where the \_\_\_\_\_ was preserved

G. The tabernacle was the place where \_\_\_\_\_ was made

H. The tabernacle was the place of \_\_\_\_\_

### III. The Glory of the Word (v. 14c)

A. We beheld His \_\_\_\_\_ glory (Jn. 2:11; Lk. 2:8-9; Acts 1:9)

B. We beheld His \_\_\_\_\_ glory (2 Pet. 1:16-17)

C. We beheld His \_\_\_\_\_ glory (1 Pet. 2:22; 1 Jn. 3:5)

D. We beheld His \_\_\_\_\_ glory (Isa. 53:12; Phil. 2:8-9; Jn. 17:24)

### TAKE HOME

- Which part of the incarnation helps you understand Jesus better and relate to Him in a \_\_\_\_\_ way?
- How does learning the way in which the tabernacle foreshadows Christ's presence help you \_\_\_\_\_ Him?
- Have you \_\_\_\_\_ His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth?

## APPLICATION QUESTIONS

James 1:22 says, *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”* These questions are designed to help you apply today’s message to your life. We encourage you to thoughtfully answer these questions and discuss your answers with others. For more information about joining a Small Group that uses these questions as the basis for discussion, prayer, and accountability, please call the church office at (661) 259-2913.

1. Read John 1:14. Who is the Word? What have we learned about the Word so far in the prologue? Now read Heb. 7:26 and 1 Tim. 3:16. How do these passages teach us about the union of two natures in one person?

2. Read John 10:30 and 17:22. Now read Luke 2:52. Why is it so important to believe that the Word never ceased being God and that the Word never ceased being man?

3. Read Gen. 3:15; Heb. 4:15; 1 Pet. 2:21; and 1 Jn. 2:6. What do these passages teach us that the incarnation accomplished? Is this new for God? Why or why not?

4. Which part of the tabernacle foreshadowing Christ’s presence did you appreciate the most? Why? How does that encourage you in your life?

5. Read Jn. 2:11; Lk. 2:8-9; and Acts 1:9. What is Christ’s essential glory? How is that different from His official glory seen in the Transfiguration (2 Pet. 1:16-17)?

6. Read 1 Pet. 2:22 and 1 Jn. 3:5. Which part of Christ’s nature never sinned? His Divine nature or His human nature? How does this encourage you today?

7. Read Isa. 53:12; Phil. 2:8-9; and Jn. 17:24. What do we mean by saying that His glory is acquired? Did Jesus become more glorious as He obeyed the Father’s will?

8. Which one of the take home questions challenges you or encourages you the most? Why? How will you live differently in your life this week based on the fact that the Word became flesh and dwelt among us?

*“What a wonder that two natures infinitely distant should be more intimately united than anything in the world... That the same person should have both a glory and grief; an infinite joy in the Deity, and an inexpressible sorrow in the humanity; that a God upon a throne should be an infant in a cradle; the thundering Creator be a weeping babe and a suffering man; [the incarnation astonishes] men upon earth, and angels in heaven.”*

- Puritan Stephen Charnock