

Sovereign Grace Church

“Jesus' Gift” outline

December 16, 2018

John 1: 1-3, 14

As we continue our Advent series we have considered God's gift of Creation and Jesse's gift of patience as he and the rest of the faithful Old Covenant brethren awaited in anticipation of the arrival of the Messiah as the fulfillment of the Old Covenant shadows and promises. On this Sunday we will consider Jesus' Gift of Himself.

We will consider who He was and is, why He came, what it means for us and seek to penetrate slightly the overwhelming mystery of the Incarnation of God the Son.

1. The WORD....GOD the SON

- **Revealed in Scripture**

- **Our Awareness & Self-Deception Rom. 1: 18b, 20-21**

- **Source of real Life Jn 1: 4; 17: 3; Phil. 2: 5-7**

2.Became FLESH.....MAN

- **A Real human being! Jn 14: 12**

- **Death plus Life = Redemption Rom. 6: 12-14**

3.and DWELT Among Us
Eph. 2: 5-6

4. and We Beheld His Glory

- **Glory Heb. 10:1; 9: 24**

- **Grace Eph. 2: 8**

Questions for Discussion and Reflection

- 1. Who was the Word before He became a human being? What does it mean that God the Son was the “only begotten of the Father”? What difference does it make whether or not God is Triune?**
- 2. Why do more people not respond to Jesus' gift to enter His Kingdom? Why in particular were the religious leaders of His day not interested? What did they have to lose? What did they have to gain? What do you have to gain by entering His Kingdom? What do you have to give up?**
- 3. What does it mean to live in the Kingdom of God? How is God's Law regarded in Christ's Kingdom? How would you define legalism? Why is it so deceptive and what are its dangers? If legalism is wrong.....does it not make a difference whether or not we obey the Law? What is the only proper motivation for obeying God?**
- 4. Does God love you? How does Jesus' gift manifest God's love for you? How would your love for God be manifested? Do you love God?**