

Series: Christmas 2018

Sermon: Jesus, Bringer of God's Grace

Bible Passage: John 1:1-18

I. According to John 1:1-14, Jesus before the Incarnation:

1. Existed before time (v. 1) —Eternal
2. Was/is in close reciprocal communion with God (v. 1)
3. Was the instrument and agent in creation (v. 2)
4. Is the source of life—"Life" Itself (vv. 4)

II. A brief discussion on the verb "dwell" or "tabernacle" of verse 14

1. The writer makes a direct allusion to Exodus 40:34-38 and Ezekiel 37:27
2. Logos, Jesus, fulfilled the promise of Ezekiel 37:27-28 at His incarnation (John 1:14)
3. God dwelling among His people is a future reality foreseen by the Seer

III. Significance of the Incarnation of the Word, who is Jesus

1. Jesus became man to be a guide of humanity by being "God's presence"
2. Jesus became man to dispel darkness (verse 5)
3. Jesus is the grace and truth (v. 14 & 17)
4. Jesus brings "grace upon grace" (verse 16)
5. Jesus becomes the visible presence of the Father (v. 14 & 18)
6. Jesus the channel by which one becomes a child of God (vv. 12-13)

Take Away

Enjoy God's grace through Jesus