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SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Incarnation Is Salvation • Pastor Brian Zahnd • December 28, 2025

1. What did you do on Christmas Day this year?

2. What is your favorite Christmas tradition?

Read Isaiah 63:8-9

3. How does Jesus fulfill these verses in Isaiah?

4. What does it mean for God's presence to save us?

5. In his influential book *On the Incarnation*, Athanasius writes, "Even so was it with the All-holy Son of God. He, the Image of the Father, came and dwelt in our midst, in order that He might renew mankind made after Himself." What was it necessary for the Son of God to become human in order to renew humanity?

Read Hebrews 2:10-14

6. How did the incarnation give us the capacity to reach our ultimate telos or goal?

7. How does Jesus save us from shame?

8. Pastor Brian said, "What God is by nature, Christ enables us to become by grace." Athanasius said, "The Word of God Himself assumed humanity that we might become God." The Apostle Peter said, "We can participate in the divine nature." Why does this sound scandalous to modern Christians?