

## **In Jesus, God has become One of Us Hebrews 2:14-15**

### **Jesus existed before he was born as a baby**

Jesus *partook* of flesh and blood — he existed before he was born.

This is because He was God — who has always been, and who has infinite power and authority.

### **Jesus, who was fully God, became fully man**

He did not stop being God to become man.

He continued being fully God, and also became fully man.

### **Jesus became a man so that by dying he could destroy the devil and deliver us**

Because we have sinned against an infinitely good and loving God, God's justice demands a payment of infinite punishment and death.

In His sovereignty God has allowed the devil to cast people into hell.

The only way we can be delivered from this is if someone could pay the penalty of infinite death.

That's only possible if the infinite God himself becomes a man and suffers in death.

That's what Jesus did for us.

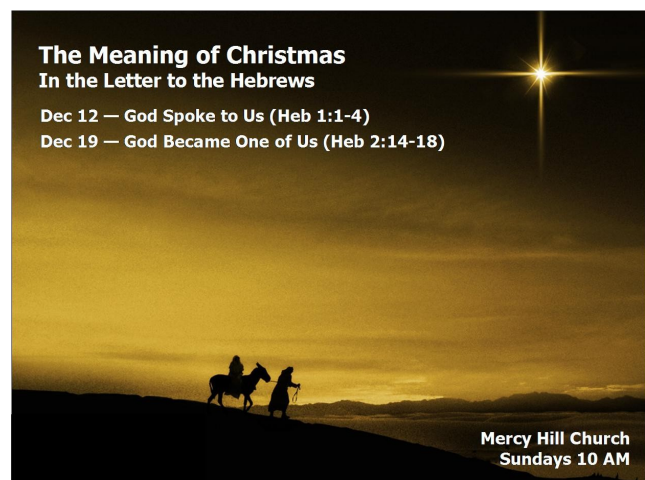
### **Because of Jesus we don't need to fear death**

"If anyone cannot set his mind at rest by disregarding death, that man would know that he has not yet gone far enough in the faith of Christ."

Jesus will give us grace to die well.

Jesus will bring us into His presence without any punishment.

Jesus will so fill us with joy that we'll almost forget about everything on earth.



## **HOME GROUP DISCUSSION OF SUNDAY'S TEACHING**

*(Sometimes in our home groups we talk about Sunday's teaching, so we can work together on responding to God's Word — asking questions, sharing insights, talking together.)*

What was the Holy Spirit saying to you Sunday through this passage?

What questions, ideas, objections, encouragements did you come with?

Does it make sense to you that before Jesus became man He had always existed as God? Why or why not?

Does it make sense that Jesus never stopped being fully God, but also was fully man?

Can you see that our salvation depends on an infinite payment of punishment — which could only happen if the infinite God became man and died for us?

How do you feel about death? What gives you fear? What gives you peace? What did this passage say to you about this?

What's your take-away from this message? What are you going to do differently? When? How?

Share prayer requests that come up in the discussion, jot them down below, and pray for each other.

