

# Christmas is So Much More

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*“<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was with God in the beginning. <sup>3</sup>All things were created through Him, and apart from Him not one thing was created that has been created. <sup>4</sup>In Him was life, and that life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup>That light shines in the darkness, and yet the darkness did not overcome it.” John 1:1-5 (CSB)*

**At Bethlehem, God WITH us.**

**At Calvary, God AS us.**

**At the Resurrection, God FOR us.**

**At Pentecost, God IN us.**

*“The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.” John 1:14 (CSB)*

**#1 - At Bethlehem, God WITH us.**

**The infinite became intimate. The Creator became the created. The Word became a whisper that Mary held.**

**Emmanuel isn't a seasonal name; it's an eternal truth.**

*“We observed His glory, the glory as the one and only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.” John 1:14 (CSB)*

**#2 - At Calvary, God AS us.**

*“He made the one who did not know sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.” 2 Corinthians 5:21 (CSB)*

**The baby wrapped in cloth became the Savior wrapped in our shame on a cross.**

**Jesus didn't just die for you, He died instead of you.**

*“<sup>16</sup>Indeed, we have all received grace upon grace from His fullness, <sup>17</sup>for the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup>No one has ever seen God. The one and only Son, who is Himself God and is at the Father's side —He has revealed Him.” John 1:16-18 (CSB)*

**#3 - At the Resurrection, God FOR us.**

**You can live confident, because Jesus already conquered the thing that was meant to crush you.**

*“<sup>4</sup>In Him was life, and that life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup>That light shines in the darkness, and yet the darkness did not overcome it.” John 1:4-5 (CSB)*

<sup>15</sup>If you love me, you will keep my commands. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Counselor to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup>He is the Spirit of truth. The world is unable to receive Him because it doesn't see Him or know Him. But you do know Him, because **He remains with you and will be in you.**" John 14:15-17 (CSB)

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>Suddenly a sound like that of a violent rushing wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were staying. <sup>3</sup>They saw tongues like flames of fire that separated and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>Then they were all **filled with the Holy Spirit** ..." Acts 2:1-4 (CSB)

**#4 - At Pentecost, God IN us.**

**The same Word who dwelt among us now sends His Spirit to dwell in us.**

**The more you're looking for is found in the One who came looking for you.**

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**At Calvary, God AS us.**

**At the Resurrection, God FOR us.**

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