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Series: The Christmas Story – God Becomes Man

Introduction: The Christmas story is the story of God becoming a man, God being born into the earth as a man. We will learn that Jesus is God, Jesus is man, and why it was necessary for God to become a man.

1. Jesus is both _____ and _____
John 1:1-3, 14 - 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.... 14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

- 1 Timothy 2:5 *For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus,*

2. Why did Jesus _____ man?
 - a. To render the devil powerless – *Hebrews 2:14 Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil.*

 - b. To take away your sins – *Hebrews 10:4-7 - 4 For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins. 5 Therefore, when He came into the world, He said: "Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, But a body You have prepared for Me. 6 In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin You had no pleasure. 7 Then I said, 'Behold, I have come—In the volume of the book it is written of Me—To do Your will, O God.' "*

Conclusion: The Christmas story is the story of God becoming man. Jesus is both God and man. God became man so He could die as the perfect sacrifice for our sins.

Discussion questions.

1. How can Jesus be both God and Man?
2. Why was it necessary for God to become man?
3. According to Hebrews 2:14 and 10:4-7, what does God becoming a man help you today?