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The Word Becomes Flesh

“And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.” John bore witness of Him, and cried out, saying, “This was He of whom I said, “He who comes after me has a higher rank than I, for He existed before me. For of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses, grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ.” (John 1:14-17).

Jesus was by nature, God. All that God is, Jesus Christ was, is and ever shall be. What can be said of the Son can be said of the Father and the Holy Spirit. The Father is God, the Son is God, and the Spirit is God; yet there is only one God. Jesus was not simply the most God-conscious man who ever lived, nor was He simply like God. He was, in fact, equal with God. His equality was total: all the attributes of God are true of Him. His equality was eternal. Even on earth, He claimed oneness with the Father. But Jesus “did not consider equality with God something to be grasped.” (Phil 2:6) He didn’t selfishly hang on to His rights as a deity. Instead, He did something absolutely astounding: He humbled Himself.

Jesus’ humility was self motivated and self-induced, not humbled by others: **He humbled Himself.**

I wonder, if in the midst of the wrapping paper, Christmas cards, turkey and dressing, eggnog and parties, did you even hear the baby cry?

Happy, Healthy Holidays

Paul