

God with Us: Love Came Down

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John 1:1-5; 14

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. 4 In him was life, and that life was the light of men. 5 The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it. 6-13... 14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Love (God) came down to...

1. SAVE US FROM OUR SINS

Matthew 1:20-21

20 ... [The angel] said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. 21 She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

Roman Road:

- ◆ Romans 3:23
For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
- ◆ Romans 6:23
For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- ◆ Romans 5:8
But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us... we have now been justified by his blood...

◆ Romans 10:9

If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

John 14:6

Jesus [said], "I am the way..." The way to SALVATION!

Love (God) came down to...

2. TESTIFY TO THE TRUTH

John 18:37

"You are a king, then!" said Pilate. Jesus answered, "You are right in saying I am a king. In fact, for this reason I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me."

John 14:6

Jesus [said], "I am the way and the truth..."

Love (God) came down to...

3. HEAL THE BROKENHEARTED & GIVE LIFE TO THE LOST

Psalms 34:18

The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

John 10:10

[Jesus said] "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

John 14:6

Jesus [said], "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 3:16

"For God so LOVED the world that he GAVE his one and only Son, so that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal LIFE."