

# He Came to Be with Us

The Message of Christmas Four-part Series - Part 2  
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**Text: Matthew 1:18-25**

## Introduction

There is a story that one day C.S. Lewis was sitting in his office in the English department when a friend, who was an unbeliever, wandered in. There were carolers below in the courtyard singing Christmas carols and as the two were speaking, they could hear them singing a Christmas carol that contained words about Jesus' virgin birth.

His unbelieving friend said to C. S. Lewis, "Isn't it good that we now know better than they did."

C. S. Lewis said, "What do you mean?" "Well, isn't it good that we now know more than they did." "I am afraid that you will have to explain," Lewis said. "Well, isn't it good that we now know that virgins don't have babies." C.S. Lewis looked at him incredulously and said, "Don't you think that they knew that? That is the whole point."

Many miss the point of the message of Christmas

## I. Jesus Took Part in Our Humanity Through the Incarnation.

- a. He who created everything clothed Himself in humanity.
- b. He who reigns in the glory of heaven came to live with peasants.
- c. He who had all power chose the weakness and limitations of humanity.

## II. Jesus Came to Dwell with Us.

- a. He did not merely appear to us—He came to live with us.
- b. He did not temporarily intervene—He came to fully save.
- c. He did not come bringing gifts—He was/is the gift.

## Conclusion

"If our greatest need had been information, God would have sent us an educator; If our greatest need had been technology, God would have sent us a scientist; If our greatest need had been money, God would have sent us an economist; If our greatest need had been pleasure, God would have sent us an entertainer; But our greatest need was forgiveness, so God sent us a Savior." - Unknown