

The Word Became Flesh ... John 1:6-18

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth." ...John 1:14 (ESV)

- 1. John the Baptist...A Man with a Calling...
 - **M** John 1:6-8, 19-34, Isaiah 40:3
- ...that <u>All</u> might <u>Believe</u>!
- ...bearing witness about the light! ...<u>John 1:6-9</u>, <u>1John 1:5-9</u>
- 2. Jesus...God in Humanity...
 - **#** John 1:9-18
- Completely God...Completely Man! ...<u>Iohn 1:14</u>, <u>Colossians 2:9</u>
- Through Jesus, we see exactly what God is like...He is God! ...John 1:18, 1John 4:12
- Jesus came to give us a New Life! ...Romans 6:3-14
- 3. What that means for us...
- Know that you have a Calling and a Purpose... 1John 4:7-12, Matthew 28:19-20...
- Don't miss Jesus... John 1:9-13
- Always remember Who Jesus is, and what He's done for you... John 1:14-18

1. What stood out to you or was the personal impact of tonight's message and the areas of scripture that were shared this evening? Was there anything that you learned or were reminded of through these verses? ...be descriptive

- **2.** <u>John 1:6-8</u> describes John the Baptizer as the man who had a specific calling, ...that he "came to bear witness about the Light (the Gospel of Jesus)". But it's also a calling that we all share, ...we are also to be bearing witness of the Light, (see Matthew 28:19-20)...
- How does that calling look in our own lives?
- When people watch the way you live and how you treat other people, do they see things that strengthen or discourage their understanding of the impact that the Lord has had in your life?
 - In what ways is your life bearing witness of the Light? ...describe
 - In what ways could you do a better job of bearing witness of the Light?
 - What does it mean to "prepare the way of the Lord, make His paths straight" (Isaiah 40:3) in your life today?
- 3. Jesus came to give us a New Life! ... READ Romans 6:3-14, Romans 12:1-2, and 1John 4:7-13.
- Are you experiencing that New Life? If so, describe it.
- If not, what do you think are the barriers in your life that keep you from it? Is there something in your life where you are having trouble trusting it to God? (your marriage, addiction, prodigal child, etc).
- **4.** What did you hear or learn from tonight's discussion that spoke to you personally? How will you directly and specifically apply it in your life today?

Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)

How do the *5 Principles for the Christian Man*, help equip you to apply this to your life? Discuss your answer with your group...

- Prayer (Relationship)
- God's Word (Knowledge and Understanding)
- Worship (Adoration)
- Fellowship (Encouragement and Accountability)
- Service (Caring for Others, Action to your Belief)