## JESUS IS GOD John 1:14

#### INTRODUCTION

Responsive Reading - (Congregation reads bold print. Pastor reads light print)

Congregation - "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1:1)

Pastor – "And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us..." (John 1:14) "And the angel said unto her, 'Fear not, Mary: for thou has found favor with God. And behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus" (Luke 1:3-31)

Congregation - "And the Word was made flesh..."

Pastor – "Mary said unto the angel, "How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?' And the angel answered and said unto her, 'The Holy Spirit shall come upon thee and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God'" (Luke 1:34-35)

Congregation – "And the Word became made flesh..."

Pastor - And the angel said, "Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call His name Jesus: for He shall save His people from their sins" (Matthew 1:20-21)

Congregation – "An the Word became flesh..."

Pastor – "And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger" (Luke 2:7)

Congregation – "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" (John 1:14)

THEY ALL KNEW HE WAS A MAN. WHEN DID THEY KNOW THAT HE WAS GOD?

- I. PERHAPS IT WAS AT THE TIME OF HIS CONVERSION
  - A. JOHN GIVES US A CLUE IN HIS GOSPEL (John 1:35-42)
  - B. PERHAPS JOHN WAS CONVERTED ALONG WITH ANDREW

#### II. IT MAY HAVE BEEN WHEN JESUS CALLED JOHN AND THE OTHERS

- A. MARK RECORDED IT FOR US (Mark 1:16-20)
- B. PERHAPS IN THAT MOMENT OF SURRENDER JOHN UNDERSTOOD

#### III.IT MAY HAVE BEEN AT THE MOMENT OF PETER'S CONFESSION

- A. MATTHEW DOCUMENTS THIS IN CHAPTER 16
- B. PERHAPS GOD OPENED ALL THEIR EYES AT THAT POINT

#### IV. SURELY IT WAS DURING THE COURSE OF HIS MINISTRY

- A. JOHN SAW THE TRANSFIGURATION
- B. JOHN INDICATES HIS GLORY WAS SHOWN THROUGH HIS MIRACLES
- C. HIS DEITY WAS EVIDENT IN HIS TEACHING

# V. MOST OF ALL, IT WAS THE CROSS AND THE RESURRECTION THAT CONVINCED JOHN AND THE OTHERS THAT JESUS WAS GOD

- A. GOD'S ESSENTIAL NATURE IS LOVE AND THE CROSS REVEALED THAT
- B. THE EMPTY TOMB PROVES IT ALL

### **CONCLUSION**

HAVE YOU COME TO KNOW GOD THROUGH FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST?