

THE JESUS SCANDALS

Part 2: *The Unexpected Messiah*

Introduction – An Unexpected Plot Twist

John 1:1 & 14

The Scandal Of Incarnation

- *HIS HERITAGE...*

Matthew 1:1-16

Through the coming of Christ, _____ are broken.

God can use anyone, even _____!

- *THE VIRGIN BIRTH...*

1:18-23

- *THE MAGI...*

Isaiah 44:25; 47:13-14

Isaiah 60:3

- *WORSHIP...*

Matthew 4:9-10

Worship is what the _____ wants, but only _____ should get!

Matthew 15:25

Ancient Jews defined God _____ more than metaphysically.

Living Incarnationally

Mark 8:1-3

Matthew 7:12

Incarnation comes through the process of “_____”.

Conclusion – Three Responses

Three responses to the news...

1. H _____ – Herod.
2. I _____ – the scribes and priests.
3. W _____ – The Magi.

HOME CHURCH QUESTIONS...

WARMING UP...

1. After reviewing this week's message, share one thing that most challenged, perturbed, or perplexed you.

LOOK TO THE BOOK...

2. Read **Philippians 2:1-11**. a) Why do you think the commands of **verses 1-2** are so important? b) What would **verses 3-4** look like practically if someone were to obey it fully? c) In light of **Isaiah 45:23**, what do **verses 10-11** tell us about the full identity of Jesus of Nazareth? (Also see **Colossians 1:15-16** in light of **Isaiah 44:24**.)

SO WHAT?...

3. What are some ways that we can incarnate Christ to others a) as a church, and b) as individuals? How do you personally need to better incarnate Christ in your relationships? Pray for each other if time permits.

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