

Faith Christian Fellowship
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Supernatural Church
Christmas: An Incarnation Celebration

Text: John 1:1-18
Hebrews 10:5-10

This whole time of year is so special because it marks the time when God became a man. The specific word is “incarnation.” God took on a body. This is a spectacularly supernatural season. John 1:14 tells us the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us. Hebrews tells us the background and reasoning for this history-changing plan

- ◆ He prepared **Him** a body. Heb 10:5-10
 - ♥ In the Old Testament the root sin problem was not cured. Verse 5 tells us that because of the need to deal with these issues, God the Father prepared a body for the Son. Prepared = **katartizo** – He didn’t just do a “shazam!!! A body, He prepared it.
 - ♥ Notice the method in Lk 1:35. A word / The hovering Spirit / A response of faith / A supernatural birth
 - ♥ Jesus came to do what the sin offerings of the Old Covenant could not: He did the will of the Father by sanctifying us. This required the offering of His body
 - ⇒ He became like us. Phil 2:6-8
 - ⇒ He lived like us. Heb 4:15-16
 - ⇒ He died for us, in our stead. Heb 10:10 / 2 Cor 5:21
 - ♥ No body, no temptation, no victory, no sacrifice, no salvation.
- ◆ He is now preparing **YOU**, a body. Eph 4:11-12
 - ♥ Your body, no matter how scarred by the effects of sin, was designed to be a glory container. 1 Corinthians 6:20. God is **Katartizo – ing** the saints
 - ♥ You got born using God’s method:
 - ⇒ The Word of God entered your heart. Romans 10:17
 - ⇒ The Holy Spirit convicted – John 16:8
 - ⇒ You said “Yes” Romans 10:9
 - ⇒ The Holy Spirit responded to the cry of faith and You were Born again. John 3:5-6. Born of the Spirit.
 - ♥ But what about your body?
 - ⇒ Your body has been repossessed by its original owner. 1 Cor 6:19-20
 - ⇒ Your body is here to do what Jesus did with His – Romans 12:1

⇒ You are still under construction from the inside out

- ♥ Your body will experience the same fate as Jesus body.
 - ♥ He took a body like yours, so you could have a body like His!!!!
Philippians 3:21 / 1 Corinthians 15:51-52
 - ◆ God is now preparing **US**, a Body at FCFT. Eph 4:11-16
 - ♥ This church is a manifestation of the incarnation of the Spirit of God. 1 Cor 12:18
 - ♥ He is preparing Him a Body here in Tucson. Note verse 12 – **katartizo**.
 - ♥ This particular manifestation or part of the universal body has some unique stuff about it
 - ⇒ We are in the healing business: Spirit / Soul / Body
 - ⇒ We are Holy Ghost people - 1 Corinthians 14:39
 - ⇒ We are Word of Faith folk – Romans 10:8
 - ⇒ We are committed to preparing others for their calling. 2 Cor 5:18.
 - ⇒ We are worshippers - not performers. John 4:23
 - ◆ If God has set you at FCFT, then He has a plan to repair you, prepare you, and get you moving in your destiny, full of praise, full of the Word and full of the Holy Ghost
 - ◆ God is preparing Him a body. This body. FCF Tucson. Don’t you want the Lord to look on FCFT and say, “A Body thou hast prepared for me. I am in them to do your will, oh, God!”
 - ♥ We are moving toward the full preparation He has in mind, but we are as surely prepared for Him and indwelt by Him as was the babe in the manger and the kid at the temple, and the man at the Jordan
 - ♥ **Won’t it be grand to hear the world around us say**
“The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us. No man has ever seen God at any time, but FCFT has declared Him, revealed Him and brought Him out where He can be seen; They have interpreted Him and made Him known.”
- "The Church exists for nothing else but to draw men into Christ, to make them little Christs. If they are not doing that, all the cathedrals, clergy, missions, sermons, even the Bible itself, are simply a waste of time. God became Man for no other purpose." C. S. Lewis