

Sermon Notes – December 22, 2024

Christmas According to John (*John 1:1-4; 14-17*)

- I. Jesus is the Self-existent One.
 - A. The beginning of Scripture assumes His pre-existence.
 - 1. “In the beginning God...” (*Genesis 1:1*)
 - B. The beginning of John records no genealogy.
 - 1. “In the beginning was the Word...” (*John 1:1*)
 - C. The beginning of Jesus is described in His own words.
 - 1. “Before Abraham was born, I AM!” (*John 8:58*)

- II. Jesus is the Co-existent One.
 - A. The Logos has always been with God.
 - 1. The Word is the essence, character and self-expression of God.
 - 2. The Word is the pre-existent One with God. (*Colossians 1:17*)
 - B. The Logos has always created with God.
 - 1. Through mutual agreement. (*Genesis 1:26*)
 - 2. Through mutual power. (*Hebrews 1*)

- III. Jesus is the Holy One.
 - A. God became flesh, manifesting God’s glory.
 - 1. The glory of holy power. (*John 2:11*)
 - 2. The glory of holy living. (*Vs. 14*) (*Hebrews 4:12-16*)
 - B. God is Light, penetrating the darkness.
 - 1. The giver of life: physical and spiritual.
 - 2. The power of light: saving us from death, Hell and the grave!
 - a. John 8:12; 3:19
 - b. Colossians 1:13-23; 2:9-15