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**10/23/11 Only begotten from the Father**

**10/30/11 Full of grace and truth: The Glory of God as a Coalescence of His Divine Attributes**

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**11/13/11 Seeing and explaining**

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**Scripture Reading and Prayer**

* Here is where we are headed over the next three or four weeks
* First, today we will cover the first few words of John 1:14 “And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us…”
* We will look at this selection of John to say that the Word became “flesh” and we will look at how this “fleshly” body allowed God to dwell among us
* Second, next week we will cover, “and we beheld or saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father”
* We will examine a theme we have pursued already this year, seeing the glory of God in His Son Jesus Christ is a picture of what it means to be saved
* Third, in two weeks we will spend an entire Sunday on the word “begotten” and what John means by that term, why the NASB has chosen that term while other translations, NIV, NLT, use the term “one and only”
* Fourth, in three weeks we will spend an entire Sunday exploring the phrase “we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth”
* I want us to consider what kind of seeing does John have in mind when it comes to seeing the glory of God the Father in His Son Jesus Christ
* **Read John 1:1-18 (Slides)**

**Introduction (Header – Slide 1)**

* I John ?:? antichrist “anyone who denies that Jesus Christ came in the flesh….”T
* flesh in verse 13
* Doceitist controversy

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**I. Became flesh (Header Slide)**

* Today we will focus on just the first 9 words of John 1:14
* Kids: draw a picture of this, “And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us”
* **Read John 1:14 (Slide 2)**
* Why did John chose the word “flesh?” Why not say became a human?
* It may be that John is dealing with a controversy of his day
* Doceitist controversy that “Jesus just seemed to have a real body”
* Precursor to Gnosticism where anything physical is evil or unimportant and only the spiritual real is good
* **Read I John 4:1-3 (Slide 3**
* **Read II John 1:7 (Slide 4)**
* **Read John 20:24-25 (Slide 5)**
* **Read John 20:27-28 (Slide 6)**
* **Read Colossians 2:8-9 (Slide 7)**
* Now back to John 1:14
* **Read John 1:14 (Slide 8)**

**II. …among us**

* “among us” seems to be a restatement of what John has already asserted with reference to Jesus Christ
* **Read John 1:10-11 (Slide 9)**
* **He was in the world, verse 10**
* **He came to His own, verse 11**

**III. …and dwelt**

* **Spend the remaining time with this “dwelt among us”**
* **Literally, “pitched His tent”**
* **Read 2 Corinthians 5:1 (Slide 10)**
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* **Read Exodus 29:42-43 (Slide 11)**
* **Read Exodus 29:45-46 (Slide 12)**
* **Read John 1:14 (Slide 13)**
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