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**GOD WITH US**

**Introduction:** In an interview with Rick Warren last Wednesday, Allan Combs asked the perpetual question, “If you don’t believe in Jesus, can you still get into heaven?” His question uncovers a deeper question—“Who is Jesus?”

**John 1:10-11, 14      Matt 1:23**

**I. GOD WITH US**

1. In **S** \_\_\_\_\_

Heb 4:14 - *“For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses; but we have one who has been tempted in every way just as we are.”*

2. In **S** \_\_\_\_\_

Phil 2:6-7 - *“who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing...”*

3. In **S** \_\_\_\_\_

Is 53:3 - *“Man of Sorrows”*

4. In **S** \_\_\_\_\_

Is 53:3 - *“...and familiar with suffering.”*

1 Peter 4:1 - *“...because he has suffered in his body.”*

5. In **S** \_\_\_\_\_

Phil 2:7 - *“...taking the very nature of a servant.”*

6. In **S** \_\_\_\_\_

Lk 22:42 - *“Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done.”*

**II. GOD WITH US - BUT HIS OWN**

1. Did not \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

• “no flash of \_\_\_\_\_ concerning his real person” (Expositor’s Bible Commentary, vol. 9)

• Matt 13:55 - *“...isn’t this the carpenter’s son?”*

2. Did not \_\_\_\_\_

• The \_\_\_\_\_ created by Him

• The \_\_\_\_\_ chosen by Him

3. Did \_\_\_\_\_

Jn. 3:36 - *“Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God’s wrath remains on him.”*

**III. GOD WITH US - FOR US TO \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_**

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ to become the \_\_\_\_\_ of God

2. The \_\_\_\_\_

**Conclusion:** The purpose of Christmas is for us to come into a \_\_\_\_\_ with God the Father through Jesus the Son.