

## *The Message Notes*

**Series:** Biblical Human History 101

**Message:** *God in a Bod!*

**Text:** St. John 1:14, Matthew 1:23

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**St. John 1:14.** And the Word became **flesh** and **dwelt** among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of **grace** and **truth**. (ESV)

Biblical Human History:

1. God created them **male** and **female** in His **image**, Genesis 1:27
2. God made a **body** from the particles of the ground and breathed the **breath of life** (spirit) into the **body** and man became a living being, Genesis 2:7
3. God's purpose for human beings, Genesis 1:28
  - a) **Reflect** – bear His image
  - b) **Reproduce** – be fruitful and multiply
  - c) **Replenish** – fill the earth with His imagers and govern it
  - d) **Reign** – dominion over the earth (kingdom)
4. Adam and Eve lived in God's garden or dwelling place for His presence. It is from God's dwelling place Adam and Eve were to worship God (serve and obey) and carry out God's purpose to spread His image throughout world, Genesis 2:8, 15
5. Adam and Eve sinned, hid from God's presence, received God's judgment, and promise of redemption (grace). God removed Adam and Eve from the Garden or His presence, Genesis 3:23-24
6. God calls Abram and promises Him he would be the father of a great nation (Israel), Genesis 12:1-3, Deuteronomy 7:6.
7. God instructed Moses to build Him a **sanctuary** (tent) that He may dwell among His people (fellowship), Exodus 25:8-10
8. Solomon builds a **temple** and God moves His presence in the temple to be among His people, Israel, in the promise land, 2 Chronicles 7:1-3
9. God's presence resided in the **Garden**, moved into a **tent**, and moved into the **temple** (promise land).

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**Four reasons** God came to dwell with us on earth:

1. **Reveals** the Father:

**St. John 14:8.** Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied."  
**9.** Jesus replied, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and yet you still don't know who I am? Anyone who has seen me has **seen the Father!** (NLT)

2. **Restores** the Kingdom:

**Matthew 4:17.** From then on Jesus began to preach, "**Repent** of your sins and turn to God, for the **Kingdom** of Heaven is near." (NLT)

3. **Redeems** fallen human beings:

**St. John 3:16.** "For this is how God **loved** the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who **believes** in him will not **perish** but have **eternal** life. **17.** God sent his Son into the world **not to judge** the world, but to **save the world** through him. (NLT)

4. **Recreates** a people for Himself:

**2 Corinthians 5:17.** This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! **18.** All of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. And God has given us this task of reconciling people to him.

- **The Church:** Matthew 16:17-19
  - ✓ **Build my Church** – assembly of people gathered to make political decisions
  - ✓ **Keys** – restores the authority of the kingdom of heaven on earth through human beings
- **Original Purpose:** fruitful, multiply, and refill the earth: Matthew 28:18-20, Ephesians 2:21-22