

The Word Became Flesh (Advent Series)

I. The God Who Still Speaks

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1. We know that God has spoken to his people through the Bible, which we call God's Word. Within the Bible are described many ways in which God speaks. How many can you name?

2. If God speaks to us in so many ways, why is it that we so rarely hear him?

3. What are some specific things that hinder us from hearing God?

4. How did Pastor Steve describe God's words?

5. While God's word has great value, Pastor Steve suggested that man's word has decreased in value. Why is that, and what is the impact?

6. The Israelites had experienced the physical presence of God on Mt. Sinai and as they wandered through the desert. In Isaiah 64:1-9, we hear a plea for God to come down again. What is requested of God?

7. How did God eventually respond to this request, and why might that cause some problems?

8. Pastor Steve listed three questions we always are asking. These were:

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9. But God has a different priority. Before dealing with those questions, he wants to deliver a different message. What is that?

10. When we have a major crisis, whether as an individual or as a society, such that we know we need God, then we listen better. Why is that?

11. How do we listen for God outside of a crisis situation?