

**Alderwood Community Church**  
**April 30, 2017**

**God's Grand Story: Jesus Comes**

## Sermon Questions:

- 1) What was your best take-away from this Sunday's sermon? Or, did you have an "Aha!" moment? Tell about it...
- 2) Read **Genesis 12:1-3**. How does this prophetic promise to Abraham connect with Jesus the Messiah?

Why was it essential for Jesus to be both fully human and also fully divine?

Read **Matthew 1:18-25**. How would the plan of salvation be messed up if Jesus was just a man—or if he was purely God with no humanity?

- 3) Read **Philippians 2:5-11**. How does this passage help to "unpack" the meaning of the Incarnation of Jesus?

- 4) Read and reflect on the great Suffering Servant prophecy in **Isaiah 53**. Jot down your top observations and insights about Jesus in that passage.
- 5) Read **Matthew 1:1-17** and **Luke 3:23-38**. What's the big deal about the genealogy of Jesus presented in these two passages? What difference does it make what his ancestry was?
- 6) Pastor Wyatt pointed out that *"Page One of the Gospel Story is not **Matthew 1:1**—It goes all the way back to **Genesis 3:15** --"And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."*
- Here we have the dawn of human brokenness and the glimmer of Gospel hope. How does this Old Testament passage inform your understanding of the Story of Jesus? (*Take a few minutes and read all of **Genesis 3**.*)