

Dec 15. Eternity Enters Time and Space

The birth of the baby on that very first Christmas, saw eternity enter into time and space. The immortal came to those who knew death only too well. The one seated on a throne in heaven, came to the dust of the earth. The one to whom was given endless praise, came to give himself. In the one who was fully human and fully God heaven and earth met.

Jesus was not an emissary sent from heaven, a messenger or representative of God. Instead, as God he made visible what was invisible. As God he declared that to look on him was to see the Father (John 14:9). God came to dwell amongst us on that first Christmas day and everything changed because the Saviour had been born.

Yet, despite the seismic nature of the event, God came in gentleness. Born as a baby that would change the universe, he came because of love. A love that arrived gently, a love that has never been forced upon us but offered to all. A love that through this baby came within the grasp of every man, woman and child.

Eternity entered into the world that day, and just as Christ entered into creation he even now desires to enter into us, to dwell within us. He desires to see each of us enter with him into eternity. To receive the love that inspired that first Christmas. To receive the greatest Christmas gift of all; that of Jesus Christ.