



Be Present

John 1:14
(pew Bible p. 860)

Main Idea: The incarnation of Christ is the miracle that saves us and the model of our service.

1. Christ's undiminished divinity in unprotected humanity makes salvation possible for sinful humanity.
2. Christ "habitated" with his humanity to be present with his creation.
3. Christ's manifestation of his majesty is a self-disclosure and confirmation of his deity.
4. The cross of Christ is where his fullness of grace shone most brightly and invites us to his salvation.

Considering your MIP (Meaningful Impactful Presence)

As a result: Jesus calls each of us to be his presence among those around us. As he was Grace and Truth in sandals, may we be his ambassadors to extend his grace and truth to those who lack Gospel access.

Let Us Awake

A.B. Simpson (January 1, 1882)

Let Christians then awake from their respectability.
Let religion cease to be an amusement, and let it become a holy trust.
Let the churches open their doors freely to all classes,
and let members go to their neighborhoods and invite them in.
Let the public halls and theaters be open for evangelistic services;
and let plain earnest men go wherever they can gather the masses together
in little communities or great and preach the gospel in the power of the Spirit
and the simplicity of love.
Let the interest of our church be forgotten in the honor of Christ and the peril
of souls.

Let us be sure we are saved, and let us be sure men are lost.
And then let us speak as men that believe.
Let us give up our plans of pleasure, selfishness, and ease and prepare for a
winter of earnest work.
Let us put away our idols and turn from our abominations.
And above all, let us cry mightily to Him for the Word of Power and the breath of
life that alone can change this valley of dry bones into an exceeding great
army of living souls and soldiers of the cross.

And we shall find that there are resources enough among us,
if touched by the consecrating power, to save the city—to save the world.