



The Story of God God Appears

Opening Prayer:

Dear God, thank you for the account of how you came into our context as God in the flesh. Thank you that you came to redeem us and to show us the way. Please guide our thoughts and our discussions today. Help us to orient our lives around you and your will. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

Ice Breaker: Share of a time when you were “stranded” or alone and someone came to help you. What was that like? How did it make you feel?

1. Read Galatians 4:4-5a

“But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law.”

The stage is set for the fulfillment of many prophetic statements in the Old Testament. Discuss the concept that fulfilled prophecies validate the Story of God- that it is God’s story, and not a human story.

2. “Born of a woman”

The incarnation (God in the flesh) is the center point and bedrock of our peace. Human Jesus could not have conquered sin, death, satan, or hell. A distant God would not have been personal and relatable, and we would not have seen the extent of His love. Discuss the incarnation and how it affects you personally.

3. “...to redeem...”

Jesus saved us and showed us how to live.

- a. His ministry- Compassion and readiness to suffer
- b. His message- Repent and believe
- c. His mission- Gather a team of followers
- d. His passion- Suffer deeply on the cross
- e. His power- Rise from the dead

Discuss the various aspects of His life that affect you today. What difference do they make?

Application

Pray: Take some time to worship Jesus. Tell Him that you love Him and how much you appreciate what He did for you.

Challenge: Memorize Galatians 4:4-5a

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Message Outline

God Appears

Galatians 4:4-5a (Memory Verse)

“But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law...”

A. Fullness of time

Galatians 4:4-5a

“But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law...”

B. God Sent Forth His Son

Galatians 4:4-5a

“But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law...”

Heb. 1:1-2a

“Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, ...”

B. God Sent Forth His Son

1 John 1:1-2

“That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— ²the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—”

C. Born of a Woman

Galatians 4:4-5a

“But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law...”

Heb. 1:2b-3

"... through whom also he created the world. ³ He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power."

D. Born to Redeem

Galatians 4:4-5a

"But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law..."

Galatians 3:13

"Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us."

D. Born to Redeem

1. His Ministry

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2. His Message

Mark 1:15

"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

D. Born to Redeem

3. His Mission

Mark 1:16-17

"And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.'"

D. Born to Redeem

4. His Passion

Luke 23:34- "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

John 19:30- "It is finished!"

Mark 15:39- "Surely this man was the Son of God!"

D. Born to Redeem

5. His Power

1 Cor. 15:20

"... Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep."

So what?

1. How do we know we are all sinners?

2. How do we know the good news is true?

3. How can I be sure that Christ is able to save anyone?