

## SERMON NOTES

### "Just an Ordinary Baby"

*"And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness:  
God was manifest in the flesh . . ." I Timothy 3:16 KJV*

- What an incredible truth . . . God became a man!

*"When God chose to reveal Himself, He did so - surprise of surprises - through a human body. The tongue that called forth the dead was a human tongue. The hand that touched the leper had dirt under its nails. The feet upon which the women wept were calloused and dusty, and His tears - don't miss the tears! They came from a heart as broken as yours or mine could ever be." Max Lucado*

- Question: If you were God, is this the way you would have done it?
- From the time he was born (with the exception of one incident when He was 12), all the way till He was thirty years of age, we have no words from our Messiah. Why? He was an ordinary man until His public ministry.
- 30 years of experience . . . 3 years of preaching. The point is that He understands us!
- You see, the only way He could really identify with mankind was if He could truly come and be one of us! And for 30 years He was just that. . .

*"Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. (v. 14)  
For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. (v. 15)  
Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." (v. 16)  
Hebrews 4*

This is why Jesus was manifested in human flesh!