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The true meaning of Christmas -God became flesh

I have loved Christmas since I was a kid, I was looking forward to the many gifts, Christmas dinner and especially the caroling through the night on Christmas eve with my teen's choir friends. I did not really know the meaning of Christmas.

As I grew up, I began to understand the real meaning of Jesus' birth. The Bible says: Christmas is God became man, "The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us." (John 1:14)

It is absolutely a mystery! "The mystery of godliness is so great. This is recognized by everyone: He appeared in the flesh, was justified in the Holy Spirit, and was seen by angels; he was preached to the nations, convinced by the world, and received into glory." (2 Timothy 3:16)-NIV. Whenever I come across this Bible verse, I am always standing in awe!

God appears in the flesh

The interjection "Great indeed," is used in English-"Great indeed,"-(ESV), which means it is great! God has become flesh, omnipresent, unconstrained and restricted to God, and even put on the drive of flesh and blood, it is incredible! How can the Almighty and authoritative God desire to be extremely filthy and imperfect in the world, and refuse to accept His creation to be close, so that he yields himself and restricts himself from being imprisoned by the flesh? This is a fact that is incomprehensible according to the standard of ordinary people to measure things. What kind of love is this? The love of God is beyond the understanding of the human mind, "incomprehensible love".

Beyond time and space, in charge of hundreds of billions of galaxies, God, who can truly dominate the situation and dominate, is omnipotent and incapable, has become flesh for the world who is not worthy of His love. He is restrained and restrained in the flesh - He loves even a sinner like me! The hymn: "And Can It Be" describes this incomprehensible love of God to us:

And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, should die for me?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, should die for me!

What a wonderful mystery! Jesus was born to die for us, born to set us free from sin! Praise the name of the Lord, the Lord came to the world for me! The purpose that God became a man and walked in history was to die for me! What am I worthy of His love? May we be moved by God's amazing love again this Christmas!