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## **Romans 8:1-4**

*<sup>1</sup>So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death. <sup>3</sup>The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do. He sent his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin's control over us by giving his Son as a sacrifice for our sins. <sup>4</sup>He did this so that the just requirement of the law would be fully satisfied for us, who no longer follow our sinful nature but instead follow the Spirit.*

### **1. Why did there have to be such a thing as the incarnation?**

- ◆ People have no way to connect to God on their own.
- ◆ All have sinned. We are all broken.
- ◆ The end game of sin is death.

### **2. Who actually became incarnate?**

- ◆ The second person of the Godhead.
- ◆ The active agent in Creation.
- ◆ He REALLY is God
- ◆ He really is a Human being.



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## **Life Group Conversation**

1. What's your favourite mystery story (real or imaginary)?
2. If you could become anyone or anything what would it be?

Read Colossians 1:15-20

3. Historically, the firstborn had significant rights. What rights does Jesus have?
4. What do you think Jesus relationship to "all things" might be?
5. Why did all things need to be reconciled to God? How did you come to this conclusion?
6. At times what people (or forces) seem to be more powerful than Jesus? How would you respond to the fact that these are still under Christ's authority?