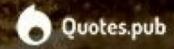


The incarnation is "a kind of vast joke whereby the Creator of the ends of the earth comes among us in diapers_ Until we too have taken the idea of the God-man seriously enough to be scandalized by it, we have not taken it as seriously as it demands to be taken.

-Frederick Buechner



THE SAVIOR IS HE WHO BRINGS US SALVATION, GRANTING US ALL THINGS NEEDED AND SALUTARY. HE IS THE HELPER, THE LIBERATOR, THE REDEEMER AS NO MAN, BUT GOD ALONE,

CAN BE AND REALLY IS; HE STANDS BY US, HE RESCUES US, HE DELIVERS US FROM THE DEADLY PLAGUE. NOW WE LIVE BECAUSE HE, THE SAVIOR, IS WITH US. KARL BARTH

"For this is why the Word became man, and the Son of God became the Son of man: so that man, by entering into communion with the Word and thus receiving divine sonship, might become a son of God."

St. Irenaeus, 2nd century



The incarnation is what those inside and outside the Christian faith are looking for, and if every Jesus follower truly "got it," it would fix every negative stereotype people have about Christians, Christianity, and the church. The incarnation of Jesus will give you proof that God understands how hard it is to be human, and it will help you see how to be human to the fullest.

