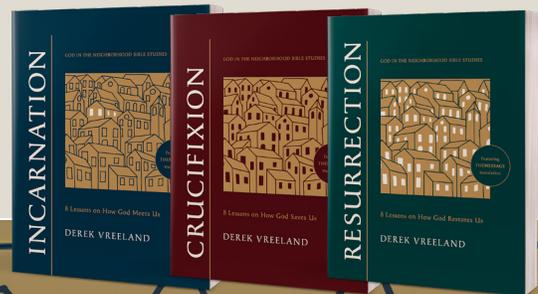


WHY THE INCARNATION MATTERS

- 1 Incarnation is not a cameo.** Jesus didn't just visit. He moved into the neighborhood for good.
- 2 Christmas wasn't Plan B.** The incarnation is the center of God's plan, not a last-minute rescue.
- 3 Jesus reveals God perfectly.** Want to know what the invisible God is like? Look at Jesus — no fine print required!
- 4 God speaks a human language.** Jesus translates divine love into a language we can understand.
- 5 Following Jesus is incarnational.** We live our faith in real places with real people, just like Jesus did.

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and moved into the neighborhood.

John 1:14 The Message



LIVING THE INCARNATION LIFE

- 1 Be a neighbor on purpose.** Don't just live near people — live with them.
- 2 Trade speed for presence.** Walk slow enough to notice God and the people God puts in your path.
- 3 Plant joy-seeds daily.** Practice gratitude until it sprouts into joy you can share.
- 4 Start with small justice.** Do one tangible thing each week to set something right in your neighborhood.
- 5 Practice the unforced rhythms of grace.** Stop cramming your spiritual life into a checklist — make space for God to surprise you.

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