WHY CHRISTMAS?
A CLOSER LOOK AT THE INCARNATION
Hebrews 2:14-18

I. JESUS CHRIST CAME TO BECOME LIKE US (14a)

II. JESUS CHRIST CAME TO DIE FOR US: Thus, defeating Satan and setting us free (14b-15)

A. Christ came to die (14b)

B. By Jesus' death, **He rendered the devil** (who uses death as his tool) **powerless** (14b)

C. By Jesus' death, **He delivered us from death's reign** and its **enslaving fear** (15)

III. JESUS CAME TO HELP US NOW: He now lives to intercede (16-18)

A. Who does Christ help? Those of faith **(16)**

B. His unique qualifications to come to our aid now **(17)**

1. Having become like us in all things (17)
   - (i) So that He would be a truly merciful and faithful mediator (17b)
   - (ii) So that He would take care of our problem: SIN (17c)
2. Because He was tempted, He has the unique ability to come to our aid now (18)