

Sermon Title: Advent: The Crucified God of Christmas Speaker: Pete Scazzero, EHD/Pastor-at-Large Scriptures: John 1:14; Matthew 1:21

"The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth."

John 1:14 NIV

"She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

\*\*Matthew 1:21 NIV\*\*

## **Sermon Outline:**

- 1. The story of Dirt Williams. What would you have done?
- 2. Incarnation and crucifixion are inseparable.
- 3. There is forgiveness for the worst of the worst, and the least of the worst.
- 4. Justice, injustice, and Jesus.
- 5. Don't rush.
- 6. Don't judge.

## **Sermon Summary:**

This Sunday Pastor Pete preaches out of John 1 and Matthew 1, continuing the Advent season with a discussion about the crucified God.

## **Sermon Questions:**

What words or phrases from this scripture passage resonated in you as you read them? Why?

- How does this scripture connect for you the topic that was discussed today? How so?
- How has your family of origin made it easy or difficult for you to face darkness and difficulty to recognize Jesus' crucifixion in your own life?
- The Incarnation and Crucifixion are inseparable. What are your thoughts about this?
- How is God inviting you to stop and take in God's love?
- What are some ways you can see injustice in your life and connect it to the justice brought by Jesus' cross?