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Series - The Third Act
Sermon Title - Happy Birthday Jesus

Big Idea: The third act of a movie or play completes the story and/or offers resolutions or answers. It ties together the narrative elements that came earlier. Weaknesses shown in the first act are overcome in the climax of the third act. In the same way, Jesus is the climax of the story of Scripture. Let's dive into His story and see how it impacts all of our stories.

Intro: HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS

1. Jesus Came! : The Word Made Flesh

John 1:14 - 14 So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son.

In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God

2. How Jesus Came: Humbly

Luke 1:34-35 - 34 Mary asked the angel, "But how can this happen? I am a virgin." 35 The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God.

Psalm 23 The Lord is my Shepherd I shall not WANT" - 1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. 2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. 3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. 5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

3. Who & Why did Jesus Come?: Came to us

John 10: 10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. 11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

Closing - It is never too late to invite Jesus into our lives. We don't have to clean up our act first. He comes in even at the 2 minute warning of life. It was not too late for Abraham at 100 years of age, not too late for Moses after 40 years in the desert (and after committing MURDER), not too late for Jonah running from God, not too late for Saul of Tarsus who persecuted Christians and who met Christ on the Damascus road. Not too late for Peter who denied Jesus or for Thomas who doubted Jesus.