

Room for Jesus?

Jesus (God the Son) shared in Creation. Remember God said, “Let us make man in our image.” Genesis 1.26.

But though the world was made through Jesus, the world did not know him. John 1.10.

No one knew that God the Son had arranged to enter into our human experience via Mary's womb. So at Jesus birth the innkeeper had no idea who was being denied room in his inn. Luke 2.7. No room for God! A foretaste, however, of what was to come.

Bethlehem's innkeeper acted in total ignorance. But since we today know about Jesus, the Son of God, does he now have a special place in our affections, our thoughts, our plans?

For us, Jesus is no longer utterly unknown, unborn, and without history. We are privileged to have dozens of reasons for accepting him and admitting him into our lives – so many proofs of his love, his wonderful grace, and transforming influence whenever he is received, welcomed and honoured.

Let's acknowledge what is now widely known and understood, namely, that he is “the power of God and the wisdom of God”, 1 Corinthians 1.24.

Have we made room, this Christmas, for his claim upon our lives?

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Jesus is still the reason for the Season.

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