# Glory to the Newborn King

#### Christmas 2018

John: Jesus the Word
John 1:1-18

#### **PASTOR'S PRAYER**

Almighty God, Creator, Justifier and LORD, you are the eternal Word. You overcame the darkness. You are the source of all light. You gave us the right to be children of God. You became flesh and dwelt among us and we long to see your glory this morning, full of grace and truth. Lord, we confess that our hearts and lives often make much of creation, of ourselves, of our want for pleasure, of our moral superiority over others whom we deem less worthy. We do not revel often in Jesus Christ and Him crucified. This is our greatest deception. We seldom long for and hope in the life which can come only through His name. Father, forgive us. Take us now to your Word and cause us to find there the grace and truth necessary to set our hearts upon you, to glory in your name that we might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing we may have life, life eternal, in his name. It is in this glorious, magnificent, sufficient name we ask these things. Amen & Amen.

### **OUTLINE**

- 1. Christ existed before Creation (vv. 1-5)
- 2. Christ testified by John (vv. 6-8)
- 3. Christ denied by the World (vv. 9-13)
- 4. Christ displayed in His Glory (vv. 14-18)

# Central Textual Truth

John wrote that we may believe in Jesus the Word and have life.

## **Central Sermon Aim**

I want SGBC to believe in Jesus the Word & have life.