

GOD HAD WET DREAMS

Jesus' humanity is at once the most beautiful and the most offensive thing about Him.

What I mean by that is that while many of us have no problem intellectually agreeing with a faith that proclaims that God took on human flesh and became a man, we still have a really hard time coming to terms with the implications of the Incarnation.

To put it bluntly, many of us are still very (Spiritual = Good; Material = Bad or sinful) in the way we think about God taking human form.

Let me break it down.

Jesus farted.

Jesus burped.

Jesus had morning breath.

Jesus had favorite foods.

Jesus had diarrhea after eating too much.

Jesus had b.o after working in Joseph's shop.

Jesus had erections.

Jesus had wet dreams (especially during puberty).

Jesus probably had crushes and got sexually aroused.

Jesus bled when He scraped His knees.

Jesus did not speak formally.

Jesus got frustrated.

Jesus got sad.

Jesus got mad.

Jesus got lonely.

Honestly, the list goes on and on. But, if I listed every human thing that makes us uncomfortable when it comes to Jesus, we would be here for a while.

The fact of the matter is, the more I get to know how human Jesus is, the more deeply I fall in love with Him.

He's God.

He's like you.

He's like me.

Don't be afraid that you'll make Jesus ordinary if you start knowing Him as a living, breathing Man.

Don't downplay Jesus' humanness and lock Him in the stainglassed window or lofty Christmas or Easter pageant.

Set Him free.