

“GOOD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY”
Luke 2:1-11

INTRODUCTION:

As you celebrate Christmas, reflect on the journey Jesus made for us. He came from Heaven to earth to die for us, thus, making Salvation available to all through His death on the Cross and His glorious resurrection. A person cannot truly celebrate Christ’s birth until he accepts His free offer of Salvation.

- “And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins” (Matt 1:21).
- **Christ is Christmas – Christmas is Christ!**

I. The Necessity of Good Tidings

A. The Fall of Mankind – The Original Sin (Gen 2:8-17; 3:1-24)

B. The Cause of the Fall of Mankind

- (Rom 3:10, 23; Gal 5:16-21; 1 John 2:15-16)

II. The Effect of Good Tidings (v. 10)

A. “Great Joy” (v. 10b)

- (Luke 1:51-53; 1 Cor 1:26-29).

B. “Which shall be to all People” (v. 10c)

- (John 3:16; 1 John 2:2; 1 John 4:10)

III. The Person of Good Tidings (v. 11)

A. The Savior is Born (v. 11a; Eph 5:23)

B. The Lord is Born (v. 11b)

- (John 1:14; 1 Tim 2:5; 1 Cor 8:6; 2 Cor 4:5; Rom 14:9).

CONCLUSION:

A. As you celebrate Christmas, keep in mind that the birth of Christ is the focus of Christmas.

B. “Who can add to Christmas? The perfect motive is that God so loved the world. The perfect gift is that He gave His only Son. The only requirement is to believe in Him. The reward of faith is that you shall have everlasting life.” - Corrie Ten Boom

C. Roman Road to Salvation (Rom 3:10, 23; 5:8; 10:9, 13)

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“... the word of our God shall stand for ever” (Isa 40:8).