



**“Celebrate the
JOY
of Christmas”**

Luke 2:8-11



**The joy of Christmas flows
from love**

God expressed His love

Matthew 2:1-2

:1 Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,

:2 Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

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Through Christ**

1 John 4:10

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Luke 2:7

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

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From the beginning of
time**

Luke 24:25-27

:25 Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken:

:26 Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?

:27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

**The joy of Christmas flows
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**God expressed His love
Through Christ
From the beginning of
time
To all mankind**

1 John 4:9

In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

Luke 2:30-32

:30 For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,

:31 Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

:32 A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

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God expressed His love

Through Christ

From the beginning of time

To all mankind

God made His love available

John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.



**The joy of Christmas relieves
fear
Of man's condition**

Luke 2:8-9

:8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

:9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

John 3:17

For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

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Of man's condition

Of gloom and doom

Finally good news

Luke 2:10

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

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A reason to celebrate

Isaiah 12:4-6

:4 And in that day shall ye say, Praise the LORD, call upon his name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his name is exalted.

:5 Sing unto the LORD; for he hath done excellent things: this is known in all the earth.

**:6 Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant
of Zion: for great is the Holy One of
Israel in the midst of thee.**

A JOYFUL CHRISTMAS



**The joy of Christmas rest in
hope
Salvation**

Luke 2:11

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

Matthew 1:21

And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

Romans 1:16-17

:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

:17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

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Salvation

Hope for the future

Luke 2:13-14

:13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

:14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Luke 2:28-32

**:28 Then took he him up in his arms,
and blessed God, and said,**

**:29 Lord, now lettest thou thy servant
depart in peace, according to thy
word:**

**:30 For mine eyes have seen thy
salvation,**

**:31 Which thou hast prepared before
the face of all people;**

**:32 A light to lighten the Gentiles, and
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