

WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS NOW
We Need a Little Christmas – Part 1

ON TV/OUTLINE: Christianity doesn't hinge on the truth or the stories around the birth of Jesus. Christianity hinges on the **RESURRECTION** of Jesus Christ.

ON TV/OUTLINE: *"The Lord said to Abram, 'Go from **YOUR COUNTRY, YOUR PEOPLE** and your **FATHER'S HOUSEHOLD** to the land that I will show you.'" Genesis 12:1*

ON TV/OUTLINE: *"I will make you into a great **NATION**, and I will **BLESS** you; I will make your name **GREAT**, and you will be a blessing." Genesis 12:2*

ON TV/OUTLINE: *"I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse..." Genesis 12:3a*

ON TV/OUTLINE: *"3 And all peoples on earth will be blessed through you." Genesis 12:3b*

ON TV/OUTLINE: *"I will also make you a **LIGHT** for the **GENTILES**, that my **SALVATION** may reach to the ends of the **EARTH**." Isaiah 49:6*

ON TV/OUTLINE: *"My name will be great among the nations... Malachi 1:11a*

ON TV/OUTLINE: *"...from where the sun rises to where it sets. In **EVERY PLACE** incense and pure offering will be brought to **ME**, because **MY NAME** will be **GREAT** among the **NATIONS**," says the Lord Almighty. Malachi 1:11b*

ON TV/OUTLINE: *"When the set time had fully come..." Galatians 4:4*

ON TV/OUTLINE: *"26 God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, 27 to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of **DAVID**. The virgin's name was Mary. 28 The angel went to her and said, 'Greetings, you who are highly **FAVORED**! The Lord is with you. 30 You have found **FAVOR** with God. 31 You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him **JESUS**. 32 He will be **GREAT** and will be called the **SON OF THE MOST HIGH**. The Lord will give him the **THRONE** of his father David, 33 and he will reign over Jacob's descendants **FOREVER**; his kingdom will never end.'" Luke 1:26-28, 30-33*

ON TV: The Christmas story is a reminder for us that God is **ACTIVE** even when it seems like he's not. The epic story of a baby in a manger shows us that while God is sometimes silent, that **GOD IS NOT STILL**.

ON TV: God sent his son not simply to be the Savior of the world but the Savior of **YOU**.

ON TV: Christmas tells us that God can be **TRUSTED**.