



Good News!

Based on Luke 2:10-11

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A. The Good News of Christmas!

STUDY VERSE SECTION - Luke 2:10–11, NASB95 - ¹⁰ But the angel [Gabriel—a cherub (Singular); cherubim (plural) are primarily associated with “sacred space”] said to them [Christmas shepherds], “Do not be afraid [in present tense—it starts and keeps going]; for behold, I bring you **good news** of great [Gk: mega] joy [think “gladness”] which will be for all [plural] the people; ¹¹ for today in the city of David [Bethlehem] there has been born for you [singular] a Savior [One who saves us from our sins], who is Christ [the long-awaited Messiah] the Lord [Master over all].

1. Its Permanent!

Luke 2:10, NASB95 - ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, ‘Don’t be afraid.’” [Diagram of this phrase: ● —————▶]

Luke 2:10, TCV - ¹⁰ “...you never have to fear ever again!”

Luke 1:33, NASB95 - ³³ and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end.”

2. Its Prophetic!

Luke 2:11, NASB95 - ¹¹ for today in the city of David [Bethlehem]. Bethlehem means, “House of Bread.” How fitting it is that the “Bread of Life” came from the “House of Bread.” - Dr. Warren W. Wiersbe

Micah 5:2, NASB95 - ² “But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Too little to be among the clans of Judah, From you One will go forth for Me to be ruler in Israel. His goings forth are from long ago, From the days of eternity.”

Micah 4:8, NIV84 - ⁸ As for you, O watchtower of the flock, O stronghold of the Daughter of Zion, the former dominion will be restored to you; kingship will come to the Daughter of Jerusalem—Bethlehem.”

3. It’s Personal!

Luke 2:10–11, NASB95 - ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you **good news** of great joy which will be for all the people; ¹¹ for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

4. It’s Panoptic!

Panoptic – (Webster’s) “Seeing the whole in one view; something seen clearly by all...(Theologically) a picture of everything needed.”

Luke 2:11, NLT - ¹¹ The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David!

Luke 2:10–11, TLB - ¹⁰ but the angel reassured them. “Don’t be afraid!” he said. “I bring you the most joyful news ever announced, and it is for everyone! ¹¹ The Savior—yes, the Christ, the Lord—has been born tonight in Bethlehem!

Luke 1:35, ESV - ³⁵the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God.

“...the child to be born...” - He was human so He could be our substitute!

“...will be called holy...” - He was sinless therefore the perfect sacrifice!

“...the Son of God” - He was sovereign Son of God!

Jesus became what He had never been before without losing what He had always been. - JKT

“Christ, Savior, Lord—Good news, indeed! That’s everything we need!” - JKT