

## Even Steven

Who Needs Christmas: PART 2

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### The First Christmas Was Described As:

Good News  
Great Joy  
For All People

*"The Law and the Prophets were proclaimed until John. Since that time, the good news of the kingdom of God is being preached, and everyone is forcing their way into it. Luke 16:16 NIV*

*One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat. Luke 5:1-3 NIV*

*When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" Luke 5:8 NIV*

*"Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." Luke 5:10 NIV*

### The Good News Is About:

A New Kingdom  
A New Kind of King

*So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him. Luke 5:11 NIV*

**What makes the good news good  
is we aren't so good.**

*Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief. 1 Timothy 1:15 KJV*

*...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. Romans 3:23-24 NIV*

## Something we all have in common:

We all fall short.

We all have been invited  
to embrace the same solution.

*“But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. Luke 15:20 NIV*

### **Next Steps:**

**Give to the Peace on Earth Offering  
Sign up for Santa’s Wonderland**