

THE Christmas Carol: Week #4 Hark The Herald Angels Sing

December 25, 2022

Text: Luke 2

Introduction:

Big Idea: GREAT FEAR was the first response of the shepherds, but the angel's announcement meant for GREAT JOY to be your response to the birth of Jesus. Let Christmas be forever for you.

1. Jesus is the Christ who _____ our broken relationship with God.

- Verse 1: Hark! The herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled! Joyful, all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies; With angelic host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem!
- **Truth into Action: Let Christmas be always for you -- Let Jesus RESTORE your relationship with God.**

2. Jesus is God in a _____

- Verse 2: Christ, by highest Heav'n adored; Christ the everlasting Lord; Late in time, behold Him come, Offspring of a virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; Hail the incarnate Deity, Pleased as man with us to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel.
- **Truth into Action: Let Christmas be always for you: --- Journey through life REMINDED THAT GOD IS WITH YOU.**

3. Jesus is the KING who _____for his people

- Verse 3: Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace! Hail the Son of Righteousness! Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with healing in His wings. Mild He lays His glory by, Born that man no more may die. Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth.
- **Truth into Action: Let Christmas be always for you: --- Be GRATEFUL for his PERSONAL CARE.**

4. Jesus is the King who defeats _____ and starts a new _____

- Verse 4: Come, Desire of nations, come, Fix in us Thy humble home; Rise, the woman's conqu'ring Seed, Bruise in us the serpent's head. Adam's likeness, now efface, Stamp Thine image in its place: Second Adam from above, Reinstate us in Thy love.
- **Truth into Action: Let Christmas be always for you: --- Let your NEW IDENTITY be I'M IN CHRIST.**

SERMON CONNECT CARD (Go on the FBC app and complete the digital card at the CONNECT tab or complete a paper card)

- **How going forward can you let Christmas be always for you?**
- **How may we help & pray for you?**



Please understand we want to help you know Jesus personally and journey with you in taking fresh steps of obedience daily. We would love to pray with you and for you. Join us at the end of the service for prayer or send us your request on the Connect Card and we will lift them up throughout the week.

Table Talk

Reflection: As you think about the truth behind the birth of Christ, ponder the following verses that anchor the carol Hark, the Herald Angels Sing

Luke 2:10–14

¹⁰ And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹ For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹² And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” 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 among those with whom he is pleased!”

2 Corinthians 5:19

¹⁹ that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

Revelation 15:4

⁴ Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.”

Hebrews 1:6

⁶ And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, “Let all God’s angels worship him.”

Matthew 1:21–23

²¹ She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: ²³ “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel” (which means, God with us).

John 1:1

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Philippians 2:7

⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

Isaiah 9:6

⁶ For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Malachi 4:2

² But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall.

1 Peter 1:3

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,