

CHRISTMAS IS A TIME...

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Christmas Message

MAIN IDEA: DON'T MISS THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS

When the right time came, the time God decided on, he sent his Son, born of a woman... so he could adopt us as his very own children. Galatians 4:4-5 (LB)

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1. TIME TO RELEASE MY FEARS.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS, BUT I KNOW WHO HOLDS THE FUTURE.

An angel appeared to the shepherds... and they were terrified. But the angel said 'Do not be afraid!' Luke 2:10

SOMETIMES THE LORD CALMS THE STORM. SOMETIMES HELETS THE STORM RAGE AND CALMS HIS CHILD.

(Jesus) I am the Light of the world. So if you follow me you won't be stumbling through the darkness... John 8:12

THE PRESENCE OF FEAR DOES NOT MEAN YOU HAVE NO FAITH. FEAR VISITS EVERYONE. BUT MAKE YOUR FEAR A VISITOR AND NOT A RESIDENT.

2. TIME TO RENEW MY FAITH

MEET YOUR FEARS WITH FAITH.

FAITH IS NOT THE BELIEF THAT GOD WILL DO WHAT YOU WANT. FAITH IS THE BELIEF THAT GOD WILL DO WHAT IS RIGHT.

... I bring you the most joyful news ever announced, and it is for everyone! Luke 2:10 (LB)

WE HAVE GREAT NEWS!

- 1. YOU MATTER TO GOD.
- 2. YOU ARE NOT AN ACCIDENT.
- 3. GOD WANTS YOU TO KNOW AND EXPERIENCE HIM.

(Jesus said) I have come that you might have LIFE, and have it to the fullest! John 10:10

3. TIME TO RECEIVE FORGIVENESS.

GOD SENT A SAVIOR BECAUSE WE NEED FORGIVENESS

Today in the town of David a Savior has been born for you; he is Christ the Lord! Luke 2:11

... for God loved this world so much that he gave his only Son, so that anyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. God didn't send his Son into the world to condemn it, but to save it!

John 3:16-17

4. TO REBUILD RELATIONSHIPS

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. Luke 2:14 (KJV)

If we are living in the light of God's presence, just as Christ does, then we have wonderful fellowship and joy with each other.

1 John 1:7 (LB)

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