

## NATIVITY SCENES

Luke 2:1-20 (2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16; Romans 16:25-27)

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Nativity – The occasion of a person's **BIRTH**.

There is typically **NO ROOM** in the inn at Christmas in Bethlehem.

Christmas is never really <u>CANCELED</u>, and this year more than ever the world needs the kind of <u>PEACE</u> that was born in Bethlehem that first Christmas.

We tend to make Jesus and the holy family <u>LOOK</u> like <u>OURSELVES</u>.

The reason is because He's <u>RELATABLE</u> – He becomes like us (incarnate).

Nations <u>RAGE</u> and kingdoms totter (Psalm 46:6), and angels and demons go to WAR.

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a <u>SAVIOR</u>, who is Christ the Lord." -Luke 2:11

Said in <u>CHORUS</u>: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased!" -Luke 2:14