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SERIES: CHRISTMAS JOY

"The Backstory of Christmas:
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Text: Galatians 4:4-7

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- ✧ John 10:10 ~ "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."



The Story of Christmas Begins Before Time _____!

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The Divine Plan

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