

Sunday, December 9, 2018

A PICTURE PERFECT CHRISTMAS



"PRINCE OF PEACE"//SCOTT RANDETT

Luke 2:11-14 - The Savior yes, the Messiah, the Lord has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David! ¹²And you will recognize him by this sign: You will find a baby wrapped snugly in strips of cloth, lying in a manger." ¹³Suddenly, the angel was joined by a vast host of others the armies of heaven praising God and saying, "Glory to God in highest heaven, and peace on earth to those with whom God is pleased."

Isaiah 9:6-7a - For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷His government and its peace will never end.

John 14:27 - "I am leaving you with a gift peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid."

THE CHAOS OF CHRISTMAS:

1. _____ will change.
2. _____ will be difficult.
3. _____ will be delayed.
4. The focus is on _____.

THE PEACE OF CHRISTMAS:

1. Focus on _____.

- **Romans 5:1,8** - Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.

2. Focus on _____.

- **2 Corinthians 4:17-18** - For our present troubles are small and won't last very long... So, we don't look at the troubles we can see now, rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever.

3. Focus on _____.

- **Isaiah 26:3** - You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you!

4. Focus on the _____.

- **Psalm 29:11** - The LORD gives his people strength. The LORD blesses them with peace.

**OUR MISSION IS TO CHANGE OUR WORLD
BY DEVELOPING CHRIST FOLLOWERS
WHO LOVE GOD AND LOVE PEOPLE.**

NEW SERMON SERIES



We all have an idea...or a picture of what the perfect Christmas looks like. It could be snow falling, family gathered around the table, hot chocolate and sugar cookies, presents under the tree, or reading the Night Before Christmas. What if our picture-perfect Christmas looks different than the real thing? Join us next week as conclude our current series. Don't come alone!

CHRISTMAS @ DRC



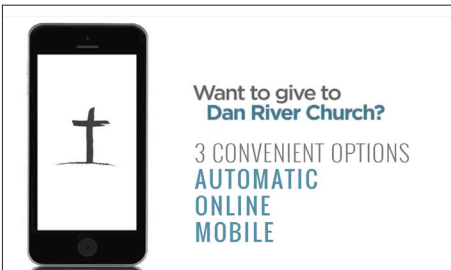
Mark your calendars and invite your friends to a service unlike any we do all year. This year, DRC will be celebrating Christmas with two powerful services on **Sunday, December 23rd**. Be praying for our worship team. They are planning some incredible elements that we have never done before. The two service times are **11am and 4pm**. Get your invites at the Connect Center.

DRC KIDS CHRISTMAS



If you have kids in Kindergarten – 4th grade, make sure you get them here on **Sunday, December 16th at 10:45am** (feel free to arrive early) for a special Christmas service. This year's theme is: **"Oh, What a Glorious Night!"**. Kid Central Christmas will include: games, crafts, prizes, gifts, the real meaning of Christmas, and so much more!

A NEW WAY TO GIVE



We have an important update regarding online giving at Dan River Church, and we need your help! We are transitioning to a new giving platform called **PushPay**. Our goal is to complete this process by the end of the year. Visit www.danriverchurch.org/donate-new/ for a simple, two-step process that will take no more than ten minutes.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

GUEST SERVICES | CREATIVE ARTS | FAMILY MINISTRY

- parking lot team
- greeter team
- cafe team
- next steps team
- welcome center team
- offering team
- security team
- band
- vocal team
- tech team
- nursery team
- preschool team
- elementary team
- kids check-in team
- high school ministry
- middle school ministry



WE ARE DRIVEN BY 6 CORE VALUES

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