

## ONE NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM-pt3

## MAKE ROOM!

This is what we know. The God of the universe has always been passionate about being with us! This is why we come back to Bethlehem year after year. This year, we are reminded again, that the only thing that limits God's power and presence in our lives is our capacity to receive Him. It's Christmas, and once again, we are challenged to **Make Room**!

He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. <sup>11</sup> He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. <sup>12</sup> But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name (JOHN 1:10-12-NKJV).

Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, <sup>5</sup> to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child. <sup>6</sup> So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. <sup>7</sup> And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was NO ROOM for them in the inn (<u>LUKE 2:4-7-NKJV</u>).

MAKE ROOM FOR GOD'S WORD

## PARTIAL OBEDIENCE IS DISOBEDIENCE



And Mary said to the angel, How can this be, since I have no [intimacy with any man as a] husband? <sup>35</sup> Then the angel said to her, The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you [like a shining cloud]; and so the holy (pure, sinless) Thing (Offspring) which shall be born of you will be called the Son of God. <sup>36</sup> And listen! Your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is now the sixth month with her who was called barren. <sup>37</sup> For with God nothing is ever impossible and no word from God shall be without power or impossible of fulfillment. <sup>38</sup> Then Mary said, Behold, I am the handmaiden of the Lord; let it be done to me according to what you have said. And the angel left her (<u>LUKE 1:34-37-AMP-</u> **CLASSIC EDITION**).

## • MAKE ROOM FOR GOD'S PEACE.

And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful (<u>COLOSSIANS 3:15-NKJV</u>).

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; <sup>7</sup> and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus (<u>PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7-NKJV</u>).

• MAKE ROOM FOR THE SAVIOR.

For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord (<u>LUKE 2:11-</u> NKJV).