The Wonder of His Gift

Luke 2:1-12

"In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. And everyone went to their own town to register. ⁴ So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷ and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them. ⁸ And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

Galatians 4:4-5

"But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law,⁵ to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship."

Romans 8:28

"And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.."

Proverbs 19:21

"Many are the plans in a man's heart but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails."

Luke 1:38

"I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May it be to me as you have said." Then the angel left her."

John 3:17

"For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him."

1 John 5:1

"Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God.." Luke 2:10-11

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