




*CHRISTMAS A TIME OF **HOPE***


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- ***“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace”.***

Isaiah 9:6

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- “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace and good will toward men.” **Luke 2:14**

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- “I am giving you **THE GIFT OF PEACE**, the kind of peace that only I can give. It isn’t like the peace that this world gives.” **John 14:27**



Jesus came to give is...

- 1. Peace with God.
- 2. Peace within.
- 3. Peace with others.



- **Luke 1**

- **²⁶ In the sixth month of Elizabeth’s pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, ²⁷ to a virgin named Mary. She was engaged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of King David. ²⁸ Gabriel appeared to her and said, “Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you!”**



- Luke 1

- ²⁹ *Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. ³⁰ “Don’t be afraid, Mary,” the angel told her, “for you have found favor with God! ³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³² He will be very great and will be called the Son of the Most High.*



Job 8:13

• ¹³ *those who forget God have no hope.*

• No GOD – No HOPE = Fear in life



- ***What is Hope?***

In today's culture, the word *hope* is often used to represent wishful thinking. But the Old Testament verb translated hope is qawa while the noun from the same root is tiqwa. Both mean “to trust and wait expectantly.”



- Jeremiah 14:22

- *“Therefore our hope (**qawa**) is in you, for you are the one who does all this.”*



- *What is Hope?*

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in the promises of God



7 reasons why the Birth of Jesus is a time of HOPE:

1. *A time of Hope Because He came to save us from our sins and the emotional oppression that humanity experienced*

- Matt. 1. ²¹ She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.”



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- Luke 4:18 ¹⁸ *"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free,*



7 reasons why the Birth of Jesus is a time of HOPE:

2. A time of Hope Because He came to show us the way that we should take in Life.

- *Psalm 32:8.* ⁸ I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.



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• **Heb. 4** **¹⁴ So then, since we have a great High Priest who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe. ¹⁵ This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same testings we do, yet he did not sin.**



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• *Heb. 2¹⁷ For this reason he had to be made like them, fully human in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.*



7 reasons why the Birth of Jesus is a time of HOPE:

1. 4. A time of Hope because He came to forgive you.

• John 8:3; 10-11 ³ The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group

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10. Jesus straightened up and asked her, “Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?”

11. “No one, sir,” she said. “Then neither do I condemn you,” Jesus declared. “Go now and leave your life of sin.”



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1. *5. A time of Hope because He came for Love.*

• *1 Corinthians 13:13* ¹³ **And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.**



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• Romans 5:7-8 *⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die.⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*



7 reasons why the Birth of Jesus is a time of HOPE:

1. *6. A time of Hope because He promises that all things will work for good for those who love Him.*
- *Romans 8*
 - ***²⁸ And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him***



7 reasons why the Birth of Jesus is a time of HOPE:

1. *7. A time of Hope because He will finish the work that He began in you*

• *Philippians 1:6.*

⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.



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