

December 22, 2019
Luke 2:8-14

WHAT IS THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS?

I. Introduction:

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II. God's Message is _____

10] But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring **you** good news of great joy that will be for all the people.
11] Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to **you**; he is Christ^[a] the Lord. 12] This will be a sign to **you**: **You** will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Luke 2:10-12

III. God's Message Demands a _____

Jesus seeks a response:

- "But what about you? Who do you say that I am?"
Matthew 16:15
- "Who do you say that I am?" Mark 8:29
- "Who do you say that I am?" Luke 9:20
- "Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live even though he die, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" John 11:25-26,

15] When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "**Let's go to Bethlehem** and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." Luke 2:15

IV. God's message is reason for us to _____

“Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, “**Glory to God in the highest**, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests.” Luke 2:13-14

“Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to **YOU!**” Luke 2:11

“My soul glorifies the Lord. And my spirit **rejoices** in God **my Savior.**” Luke 1:46-47

“The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son and they will call him Immanuel, which means, “**God with us.**” Matthew 1:23

V. Conclusion and Application

16] "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

8] “For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—⁹not by works, so that no one can boast.” Ephesians 2:8-9

There is no greater gift that you can receive this Christmas than the gift of God's son, our Lord Jesus Christ. **He came for YOU.**