

Daily Devotion For December 24, 2022

Take time now to read **Luke 2:1-14** and the story of the announcement of the birth of Jesus.

Growing up in Monterey, I have some special memories of Christmas time. I remember the train that ran from the train depot at Fisherman's Wharf to Pacific Grove when Santa would hand out candy canes. The family getting into the car to view the Christmas decorations on Candy Cane Lane and Egan Avenue. The Christmas Angels that hung on the light posts around the town. And the Candlelight service at the church where the Youth Group would lead the service and welcome back the college students and Santa Claus handing out candy. Then afterwards going Christmas caroling to some of the church families. For me back then, Christmas was more about the lights and tinsel than about Christ. It wasn't until I received Christ into my life as Savior and Lord that I truly realized that **Christmas** was about **Christ**.

Thought For Today: On this day before Christmas, what fond memories of Christmas do you have? Is Christ included in them? Are you remembering to keep **Christ** in **Christmas**? Don't forget to join us tomorrow at 10:30 AM as we celebrate and worship the birth of Christ The King.

Today's Prayer Focus: Take time to give praise to the **Christ** of **Christmas** and thank God for the wonderful gift of His son Jesus. Deo Volente.