


CHRISTMAS 2019

“Jesus Christ is *The* Light
in the Darkness”

Isaiah 9: 2; Luke 2: 1-7

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The people who
walk in darkness
will see a great
light. For those
who live in a land
of deep darkness,
a light will shine.

Isaiah 9:2

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**Satan's goal is to keep people in
darkness**

**The strategy of the darkness is to
remove the True Christ - *the Light***

**Two thousand years ago Jesus
broke into the darkness**

HE MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE!!

From Malachi to Matthew there
were 400 years of darkness in
Israel

No prophet , *no Word from God*

God had been silent, *and everyone
knew it!*

*In the fullness of time, Jesus
breaks into the darkness!!*

“But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son”

Galatians 4: 4

Jesus entered the darkness, the chaos of planet earth - *and the world didn't blink!!*

Israel wanted a deliverer, someone to save them from Rome

A Baby? Bethlehem? A manger, a cave?

NO!! We want a deliverer and we want Him now!

The inconspicuous birth of Jesus is recorded in Luke 2: 1-7

Journeys of Mary and Joseph

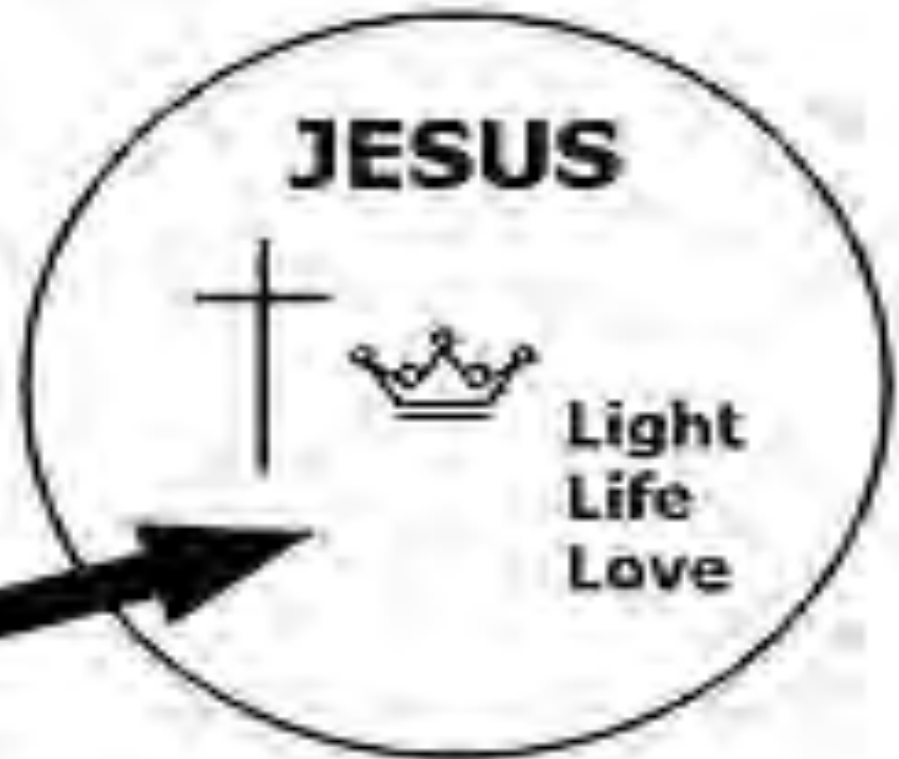


Jesus Christ, a *Light* in the darkness is *Good News!*

Kingdom of Darkness



Kingdom of Light



Which king will you serve?

Jesus broke into the darkness -
John 1: 9-10

The Light of the World was
rejected - John 1: 11

But why?

*People reject Jesus because
they love their sin, they love
darkness - John 3: 19*

GOOD NEWS: Jesus knows about
the darkness of life

**JESUS KNOWS WHAT YOU ARE
GOING THROUGH - *HE WAS HERE!!***

Jesus knows all about pain,
rejection, sadness, family strife,
and turmoil!!

**The *True God* came to earth to
become one of us and *HE KNOWS!!***

Our Lord is not detached; He is not far off; He is close to the broken hearted - Psalm 34: 18

The Light of Christmas came into the darkness and gives us **HOPE!!**
(the expectation of something good)

Believer, do not hide the light that is in you! Matthew 5: 14

**Jesus' light breaks into the
darkness, but why?**

*To save us from the
darkness of sin*

Because of God's tender mercy,
the light from heaven is about to break upon us,

J **e** **s** **u** **s**

to give light to those who sit in darkness
and in the shadow of death,
and to guide us to the path of peace.

- Luke 1:78-79

“The precise reason the Son came to earth was not to teach love and peace and care for the poor, but to submit Himself to the Father’s will” (Greg Koukl)

JESUS WAS BORN TO DIE FOR US!!

“Amazing love how can it be that You my King would die for me”

The Light of the World came to rescue us from the darkness that permeates all of humanity on planet earth

Jesus' Light conquers the darkness
*- the darkness must yield to the
Light*

Jesus is the Light of the World and
the darkness cannot exist in the
presence of light

Darkness actually flees the Light!!
Jesus' promise to you who believe

“I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.” John 8: 12

Jesus bursts onto the scene, bursts into the darkness Christmas morning to bring ***JOY TO THE WORLD!***

John's message to our world in need of light is crystal clear:

“But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.” (John 20: 31)

**DARKNESS MUST
FLEE THE LIGHT!!**

IN CLOSING:

The Christmas season is in full swing; the pace will crescendo, nerves will become frazzled and patience may wane, *but allow this Christmas season to be different*





... us, ... from on high hath
to give light to them that sit in darkness
and in the shadow of death,
to guide our feet into the way of peace.

76 80 And ^Rthe child grew, and waxed strong
in spirit, and ^Rwas in the ^Tdeserts till the
day of his showing unto Israel.

CHAPTER 2

The birth of Jesus

80 **A**ND it came to pass in those days that
there went out a decree from Caesar
Augustus, that all the world should be
^Ttaxed.

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Cy-re'-ni-us was governor of Syria
3 And all went to be taxed
into his own country.

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Mat. 4:16
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Mat. 3:1
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CHAPTER 2

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This Christmas season, take the offensive, focus on the *Reason for the Season*, slow down and tell everyone you can about the *Light of the World* and the *True Meaning of Christmas!*

That the world may know and experience the *True Meaning of Christmas - JESUS CHRIST is The Light* in the darkness, and *HE CHANGES EVERYTHING!!*

***MERRY CHRISTMAS TO
ALL AND TO ALL***

***A WONDERFUL
CHRISTMAS SEASON!!***