

ALL HAIL KING JESUS!

HE IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON

Ephesians 3: 14-21

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Video: Joy to the World

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Verse 14 - 15

**This Christmas Remember - *We are in
God's Family!***

This is a good time to remember Who is in charge

***“I bow my knees to the Father of our
Lord Jesus Christ”***

I follow Jesus; my life is to glorify Him!

**We speak on Christ’s behalf as ambassadors of
Christ**

**2 Corinthians 5:20 We are
therefore Christ's
ambassadors, as though God
were making his appeal
through us. We implore you
on Christ' behalf: Be
reconciled to God.**

What is an ambassador?

A REPRESENTATIVE!

How do we represent Him?

*Don't act like a world dweller; act like
a Christ follower*

*Represent Christ as He is, and you will
be a great ambassador!*

Verse 16

**This Christmas season, realize our
strength comes from God**

*What a gift!!
The Holy Spirit,
who
strengthens
our inner man!*

John 14:16-17

16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever-- 17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

The Holy Spirit indwells us and allows us to overcome our flesh urges!

The Holy Spirit gives us a “*can do*” attitude
Philippians 4: 13

Verse 17

**This Christmas season, recall Christ
dwells in our hearts**

It is great that the Spirit indwells us and Jesus dwells in us; did you know the Father indwells us?

Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them."

John 14:23



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**The entire Godhead
indwells the
believer**

The Trinity consists of three persons with distinct roles, but they act in concert with one another

This is termed COMPLEX UNITY!

Remember what Jesus said to Phillip:

John 14:8-10

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." 9 Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? 10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works.


Verse 18 - 19

This Christmas season understand the depth of love that Christ has for us

Presently, we do not have the ability to love with pure Godly love – verse 19

“To know the love of Christ which passes knowledge”

Hear this: One day we will be like him, perfect love, and we will understand fully as we are fully known



**NOW WE SEE
BUT A POOR REFLECTION
AS IN A MIRROR
THEN WE SHALL SEE FACE TO FACE.
NOW I KNOW IN PART;
THEN I SHALL KNOW FULLY,
EVEN AS I AM FULLY KNOWN.**

~1 CORINTHIANS 13:12



This is another gift!

Another gift we cannot imagine *but is true!*

Our future is amazing!!

Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

1 John 3:2-3

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What is our response to these amazing gifts?

I belong to Jesus; my life is not my own

Galatians 2: 20 is all about the new me:

“I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me.”

This Christmas season, put away the old ways and live as who you are in Christ

Verse 20 - 21

This Christmas season realize it's all about Jesus - *TO HIM BE THE GLORY!*

Our culture is full speed ahead focused on taking Jesus out of Christmas and everything else!

Don't allow our world to steal Christmas!

We will not be silenced!! *JESUS IS CHRISTMAS!*

Salt and light are needed in our world

“YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH. BUT WHAT GOOD IS SALT IF IT HAS LOST ITS FLAVOR? CAN YOU MAKE IT SALTY AGAIN? IT WILL BE THROWN OUT AND TRAMPLED UNDERFOOT AS WORTHLESS. YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD—LIKE A CITY ON A HILLTOP THAT CANNOT BE HIDDEN.”

MATTHEW 5:13-14 NLT

The presence of salt affects the whole

Salt is influence, salt engages the culture!

**A certain amount of salt changes the environment;
less than 5% has no effect**

How does salt lose its flavor?

*It is mixed with other substances and
loses its effect*

**World salt has invaded the Church; sin is ignored by
the world and the Church has been changed!**

How about light?

Christians are told to light up their world

*Unfortunately, the Church's light is dim
and looks a whole lot like the world*

**Light shiners will allow the world to see your
higher moral standards, your light, your good
works**

**World salt has invaded the Church, seminaries,
Pastors, congregations and denominations; *they
have taken the bait!***

World think permeates most supposed Christians

How do you know you are a world thinker?

*You embrace what the world believes
and forsake what the Bible says*

CLOSING:

This Christmas season remember:

Who you are in Christ

This Christmas season remember:

We are salt and light

This Christmas season remember:

*That we are Christ
followers -
we represent Him!*

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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!