



Taking Christ to the Nations

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Christmas: A time to give and a time to celebrate. A time for joy and a time to lift up our hands with thankfulness to express, "There is none like You."

Since we have met Jesus, we create a special celebration. We have learned from families who lived exemplary lives, and we use as examples the people throughout history who had something to give, celebrate, sing, and be joyful for. Look at Luke 1:1-20.

- When Mary submitted to the plan of God, to be the mother of Christ, she gave her body to be the first dwelling place of the Savior incarnate. Luke 1:30-38
- Mary also renounced her good reputation to fulfill the calling the Lord had on her life.
- Joseph gave of his love and protection to Mary, and to the boy who was not his. Matthew 1:18-25
- An angel gave the announcement of the Messiah to humble shepherds who watched over their sheep during the night.
- A host of heavenly angels offered praise and glory to God.
- The shepherds gave the first personal testimony about the Messiah.
- The three kings gave up their comfort to go in search of the newborn King and gave gifts worthy of a king. Matthew 2:1-11











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At first sight, it may appear these gifts belong only to the first Christmas, but each one has an application for us today. Those of us who are in Christ are called to give what we have in Christ to others in the same way we received them.

Look at the list again. What gifts could I give to Christ today? Maybe you need to submit your will in a difficult area of your life. Or maybe you need to endure misunderstandings in obedience. And what about the others? Who needs your protection, your love, your prayers, or maybe the Good News about the salvation you have in Christ Jesus?

"He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of his father David." Luke 1:32

Blessings to each of you; with gratitude you are in our hearts.

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