The Christmas Story (Luke 2:1-20)

Point #1 - NO ROOM (vs.#7)

How many people have ‘no room’ for Jesus, today?

II Cor. 6:2 - …”now is the accepted time…”

Point #2 - DIVINE MESSENGERS (vs.#22)

God uses angels.


POINT #3 - SUDDENLY (vs.#13 & #14)

God is a God of suddenly! Never forget that.


POINT #4 - GO, SEE, WITH HASTE.
    (vs. #15 & #16)

So many hear, but do nothing with the gospel. The unsaved need to respond (get saved - Ro. 10:9, 10 & 13), go regularly to church (Heb. 10:25) and keep the excitement and joy (Neh.8:10) in their relationship with the Lord. So many have lost their first love. The Church of Ephesus did. (Rev.2:1-5)

Rev. 2:4 - …”thou hast left thy first love.”

POINT #5 - THEY MADE KNOWN ABROAD.
    (vs. #17)

We need to make ‘known abroad’ that
Jesus was born, died on the cross for our sins, and rose again to later ascend into heaven.

Remember the woman at the well? She had an encounter with Jesus that literally transformed her life! She make ‘known abroad’ all over her city that Jesus was the Messiah. (John 4:28-30) Shouldn’t we do the same? What’s wrong with us today?

Often times, our testimony is weak, our witness is even weaker. The souls we have led to Jesus are almost at the number zero. We need to make ‘known abroad’ in our home, neighborhood, workplace, school, job, and other activities.

POINT #3 - PROVOKE OTHERS TO SEARCH THEIR SOUL. (vs. #18)

The shepherds made others curious. So much so, the scripture in Luke 2:18, says - “And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them…”

Peter did the same thing in Acts 2:14-41. He preached, and explained the message of salvation to a multitude of curious folks. The results? Three thousand souls were saved! (Acts 2:41)

POINT #7 - PONDERED THEM IN HER HEART. (vs. #19)

Not every story, thought or event should you repeat. The gospel is to be proclaimed, but not every prophesy, or detail. There is a timing for everything. (Ecc. 3:1-8)

Look especially at Ecc. 3:7 - “…a time to keep silence, and a time to speak.”

POINT #8 - GLORIFYING AND PRAISING GOD. (vs. #20)
We should always be a people of praise, power, worship and thanksgiving.

Ps. 150:6/Ps. 50:23/Ps. 95:2/Ps. 100:4/
Ps. 103:1/Ps. 34:1/Ps.33:1/Ps.95:2

CLOSING THOUGHTS: At this Christmas season, let us always remember the true meaning of this holiday. It’s not the presents, Santa Claus, the tree, the cooking and eating, or even being with our loved ones, it’s JESUS.

HE IS THE REASON WE CELEBRATE.

If nothing else happened at Christmas, but you remembered Jesus, and thanked Him for coming to earth and that you know Him as your Lord and Saviour, you would be most blessed indeed!

All the other surroundings and celebrations are “extra’s” compared to the real, true meaning of Christmas.

Be happy! Rejoice! Thank God that He has let you live another year to remember Him and celebrate His birth.

May God give you a deeper knowledge of Him, as you desire to please Him in all you do. Try to be a better witness to others, so they, too, can find the real “gift” that cannot be found under any Christmas tree. It’s not God’s will that any should perish, but that ALL should come unto repentance. (II P.3:9)

“MERRY CHRISTMAS” !!!

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