

TAKEAWAY THOUGHT



Christmas tells us that God has covered every branch of the tree with hundreds and hundreds of ribbons to let us know that His mercy is still good, that His forgiveness is still strong, and that His love will never end.

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO:

- Memorize [John 3:16-17](#) "16 For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him."
- Accept Jesus Christ as my Savior and Lord. 1st Time Recommit
- I choose to let Christmas remind me and those in my sphere of influence that God loves, God gives and God forgives.
- I will apply today's message by _____
_____.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- ⇒ No Wednesdays in the Word until January 20, 2016.
- ⇒ Dec 13th - Annual Family Christmas Celebration (2nd Sunday)
- ⇒ Dec. 17-18-19 - Live Nativity @ church building
- ⇒ Dec. 27th - 4th Sunday Family Lunch Fellowship, after the service



RIBBONS

#ChristmasIsBestThing

Sunday, December 06, 2015

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MEMORY VERSE

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1. CHRISTMAS IS AN EXPRESSION OF GOD'S _____.

¹⁶ For God so loved the world..."

¹⁷ The LORD your God is in your midst, a Mighty One who will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness; He will quiet you by His love; He will exult over you with loud singing."

Zephaniah 3:17

¹³ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, ¹⁴ 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!'" Luke 2:13-14

2. CHRISTMAS IS AN EXPRESSION OF GOD'S _____.

¹⁶ For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son"

¹¹ For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11

⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all." Isaiah 53:6

²³ For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23

²¹ She will bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins." Matthew 1:21

¹⁸ The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." Luke 4:18-19

¹¹ And going into the **house** they saw the **child** with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh." Matthew 2:11

³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to Him the throne of his father David, ³³ and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." Luke 1:32-33

3. CHRISTMAS IS AN EXPRESSION OF GOD'S _____.

¹⁷ For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him." John 3:17

²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23

¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. ¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; ¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us." Psalms 103:10-12