

Christmas Meditations

Enjoy these Christmas meditations written by members of the church!

At a time when we all are facing so much uncertainty we wanted to share through this message and meal that we are not alone. That God is with us, Jesus, has come with God's message of hope and peace to the world. We hope you are able and choose to reflect on this message this season!

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Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed Christmas filled with the presence and love of God. At the heart of the Christmas story lies the birth of a child; and the hope that this child brought to the world. Jesus, who grew up to save us, the greatest blessing of all. May the peace of Jesus' presence be with you this holiday season. Blessings and best wishes to you.

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Christmas is often filled with family traditions, eating festive foods, Santa's workshop, and much more. However, this magical and cheery season does not rid us of our everyday worries or fix our problems. True joy everlasting is only found in Jesus, who came to earth as a baby so that we can have a personal relationship with him in the struggles that we face. This is something we can celebrate, even in the midst of tough times. Jesus is our continual hope, peace, and joy. He is peace in the storm, the counselor in the crossroads, the Father who comforts, and the Mighty God who saves us. May God bless you this Holiday Season.

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On the first Christmas, Mary was visited by an angel who told her she would conceive and give birth to the Son of God. That moment brought fear and anxiety into her life, yet she was willingly obedient, and God brought her peace. Through life we face many challenges and sometimes things are hard. But we can trust in God and take comfort in His unfulfilling promises. God has a plan for each person, may we learn from Mary who said, "I am the Lord's servant. May your word be fulfilled" (Luke 1:38). May God guide you through every obstacle as you trust Him to fulfill the promises He has for your life.

Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests. Luke 2:14



For some Christmas is full of joy and family, yet for others it can feel lonely or overwhelming. Still others experience the grind of shopping and overspending. Let's take a moment to bring focus to the holiday season. To make time to reflect on what Jesus has done for us. In Luke 2:17-20 we read about the shepherd's meeting the infant Jesus for the first time. They were overwhelmed with joy and ran around the city telling everyone what they saw. Verse 19 says, "Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart." The wonder of Christmas...receiving joy, hope and excitement. The true Christmas spirit is that a Saviour was born, He conquered death, and He's coming back again soon so we can be with Him forever. The promise of Jesus's constant love and guidance and the reminder of His imminent return help give us hope. May God bless you this Holiday Season.

And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins. Matthew 1:21

Two thousand years ago something lit up the sky. We read about it in the Bible, "And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified." Now that's quite a light show! God's glory. God's glory includes His goodness, His love, His justice, and many other things that we deeply long for. But this light, this glory, doesn't fade away. Nor does it simply light up a portion of the sky one night long ago. It is a light that can touch the whole world, one heart at a time, as people whisper "yes" to the One that the angels would end up praising. This One is Jesus.

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The holiday season is filled with many joyful carols which are a highlight of the Advent season.

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear.

When pondering this stanza, we see the lonely Jews under Roman captivity longing for their Messiah. Jesus enters the scene quietly as an infant who would die as our ransom from sin. It is because of this that we can look expectedly to the future with hope because the Son of God will appear again. The chorus of this carol instructs us, "Rejoice, Rejoice, Emmanuel, shall come to thee, O Israel."

The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel. Isaiah 7:14

