

The Ultimate Christmas Centrepiece

A. Centre Stage: His calling.

- a. *“The one, who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He came into the very world He created, but the world didn’t recognize Him. He came to His own people, and even they rejected Him. But to all who believed Him and accepted Him, He gave the right to become children of God.”* John 1:9-12
- b. *“All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: ‘The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel’(which means “God with us”).* Matthew 1:22-23
- c. *“When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”* John 8:12.
- d. *“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”* Isaiah 9: 6
 - i. *“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name,”* Matthew 6:9
- e. *“Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger. Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, ‘Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests.”* Luke 2:10-14
- f. *“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of His government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David’s throne and over His kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever.”* Isaiah 9:6-7

B. Front and Centre: His worth to you?

- a. *“Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests.”* Luke 2:14
- b. *“When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.”* Matthew 2:10-11
- c. *“Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”* Matthew 6:21
- d. *“An angel of the Lord appeared to him (Joseph) in a dream and said... “She will give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name Jesus, because He will save his people from their sins.”* Matthew 1:20-21