

Overcome The Chaos By Grasping God's Plan!

Advent Conspiracy, Pt. 2

Luke 2:1-7

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Luke 2:1, *In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world... ³And everyone went to their own town to register. ⁴So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷and she gave birth to her firstborn, a Son. She wrapped Him in cloths and placed Him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.*

Proverbs 19:21, *Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.*

Everyone Had A Plan:

1) The GOVERNMENT Had A Plan

Luke 2:1, *In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world... ³And everyone went to their own town to register.*

2) JOSEPH Had A Plan

Luke 2:4, *So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David.*

Micah 5:2, *"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for Me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times."*

3) GOD Had The Decisive Plan

Luke 2:5, *He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷and she gave birth to her firstborn, a Son. She wrapped Him in cloths and placed Him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.*

Isaiah 9:6, *For a Child will be born to us, a Son will be given to us; and the government will rest on His shoulders. And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.*

What Was God's Christmas Plan?

- **Jesus Is The One MEDIATOR Between God And Man**

1 Timothy 2:5, *For there is one God and one Mediator between God and mankind, the Man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave Himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time.*

- **Jesus Is The Ultimate DEMONSTRATION Of God's Love**

Romans 5:8, *But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

- **Jesus Is The REDEMPTION Of Mankind**

Galatians 4:4, *But when the set time had fully come, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship.*

- **Jesus Is The VICTORY Over Death**

1 Corinthians 15:55, *"Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" ⁵⁶The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

- **Jesus Is The ANSWER To Humanity's Problems**

Luke 4:16, *He went to Nazareth, where He had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day He went into the synagogue, as was His custom. He stood up to read... ¹⁸“The Spirit of the Lord is on Me, because He has anointed Me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free,¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” ²⁰Then He rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on Him. ²¹He began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”*

- **Jesus Is The SOLUTION To Mankind’s Lostness**

Luke 19:10, *For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.*

Jeremiah 29:11, *“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. ¹²Then you will call on Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. ¹³You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart.”*

What’s Next:

1. Follow the Pastor’s daily Advent devotionals
@johnmarkcaton or www.johnmarkcaton.com.
2. Make plans for you and your family to attend one of our Christmas Eve Services at 2:00p, 4:00p or 6:00p.