

## **Joy To The World!**

**Luke 2:8-14**

*Sermon Series: Behind The Music, Pt. 2*

*December 14, 2014*

*Joy to the world! The Lord is come; Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare Him room, And heaven and nature sing,*

**Luke 2:8-14**, *And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. <sup>9</sup>An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup>But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. <sup>11</sup>Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup>This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.” <sup>13</sup>Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, <sup>14</sup>“Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”*

**Galatians 4:4-7**, *But when the set time had fully come, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. <sup>6</sup>Because you are His sons, God sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, “Abba, Father.” <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but God’s child; and since you are His child, God has made you also an heir.*

### **1) Joy To The World Came At The RIGHT TIME**

**Galatians 4:4**, *But when the time had fully come...*

**It Was The Right Time...**

- Linguistically And **INTELLECTUALLY**
- Politically And **THEOLOGICALLY**

### **2) Joy To The World Came As The RIGHT PRESENT**

- Jesus Was Fully God And **FULLY MAN**

**John 1:1**, *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God... <sup>14</sup>The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the One and Only Son, who came from the Father; full of grace and truth.*

**Colossians 2:9**, *For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form.*

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### **3) Joy To The World Came With The RIGHT PURPOSE**

**Acts 16:31**, They replied, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved- you and your household.”

#### **What Was The Purpose?**

- **To Redeem Us From The PENALTY OF SIN**

**Romans 3:23**, *For all have sinned and fallen short of the Glory of God.*

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

**Isaiah 53:5-6**, *But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on Him, and by His wounds we are healed. 6 We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.*

### **4) Joy To The World Comes As A FREE GIFT**

#### **How Do You Get The Gift?**

- **We Receive It BY FAITH**

**Galatians 3:26**, *So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith,*

**John 6:47**, *Very truly I tell you, the one who believes has eternal life.*

Christmas Eve Services at 2:00p, 4:00p & 6:00p:

Make plans to attend one of our Christmas Eve Services with your family!