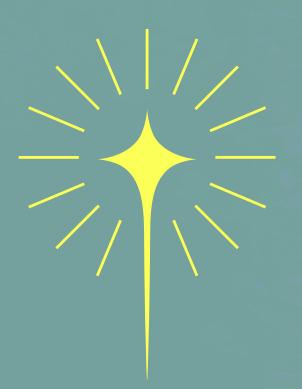




# December 21st: God's Promise Still Stands

"THE PEOPLE WHO WALK IN DARKNESS WILL SEE A GREAT LIGHT." - ISAIAH 9:2a (NLT)

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS DIDN'T START WITH ANGELS AND GIFTS, IT STARTED WITH A PROMISE. LONG BEFORE JESUS WAS BORN, GOD SPOKE THROUGH ISAIAH TO TELL HIS PEOPLE THAT LIGHT WAS COMING. THE WORLD FELT DARK AND UNCERTAIN, AND THE WAITING SEEMED ENDLESS. BUT GOD'S PROMISE STILL STOOD! MAYBE YOUR LIFE FEELS LIKE THAT; UNCERTAIN AND WAITING ON GOD TO SHOW UP. REMEMBER THIS: CHRISTMAS IS PROOF THAT GOD KEEPS HIS WORD. EVEN WHEN IT TAKES TIME, WE CAN TRUST THAT HIS TIMING ISN'T DELAYED, IT'S DIVINE.



### REFLECT:

WHERE IN YOUR LIFE DO YOU NEED TO TRUST THAT GOD'S PROMISE STILL STANDS?

### **PRAYER:**

GOD, HELP ME TO TRUST YOU IN THE WAITING. REMIND ME THAT YOU'RE FAITHFUL EVEN WHEN I CAN'T SEE IT YET.

### **TAKE ACTION:**

LIGHT A CANDLE OR TURN ON A LIGHT TONIGHT AND THANK GOD THAT HIS LIGHT STILL SHINES IN THE DARKNESS.

## December 22nd: Ordinary Moments, Extraordinary God

"BUT YOU, O BETHLEHEM...ARE ONLY A SMALL VILLAGE...YET A RULER OF ISRAEL...
WILL COME FROM YOU..." – MICAH 5:2 (NLT)

BETHLEHEM WASN'T IMPRESSIVE, IT WAS SMALL AND ORDINARY. BUT THAT'S WHERE GOD CHOSE TO SHOW UP. THE SAVIOR OF THE WORLD ENTERED THROUGH AN UNNOTICED PLACE TO SHOW THAT GOD CAN USE ORDINARY PEOPLE AND MOMENTS TO DO EXTRAORDINARY THINGS. YOU MIGHT FEEL UNSEEN OR UNQUALIFIED, BUT GOD SEES YOU. HE DELIGHTS IN SHOWING UP IN SMALL, UNEXPECTED PLACES.

### **REFLECT:**

WHAT "ORDINARY" PARTS OF YOUR LIFE COULD GOD USE TO SHOW HIS GLORY?

### PRAYER:

GOD, THANK YOU FOR MEETING ME WHERE I AM. HELP ME SEE HOW YOU'RE WORKING IN THE EVERYDAY MOMENTS.

### **TAKE ACTION:**

DO ONE SMALL, UNNOTICED ACT OF KINDNESS TODAY—GOD SEES IT EVEN IF NO ONE ELSE DOES.



# December 23rd: Don't Miss the Moment

"AND SHE BROUGHT FORTH HER FIRSTBORN SON, AND WRAPPED HIM IN SWADDLING CLOTHS, AND LAID HIM IN A MANGER, BECAUSE THERE WAS NO ROOM FOR THEM IN THE INN." - LUKE 2:7 (NKJV)

THE INNKEEPER MISSED THE MOMENT. GOD'S MIRACLE WAS HAPPENING RIGHT OUTSIDE, BUT THE ROOMS WERE FULL AND THE PACE WAS FAST. SOMETIMES, WE DO THE SAME THING. WE'RE SO BUSY MAKING CHRISTMAS HAPPEN THAT WE MISS WHAT IT'S REALLY ABOUT. TODAY, LET'S SLOW DOWN, BREATHE, AND NOT LET THE MIRACLE OF JESUS' PRESENCE GET CROWDED OUT BY BUSYNESS.

### **REFLECT:**

WHAT DISTRACTIONS KEEP YOU FROM EXPERIENCING THE PRESENCE OF JESUS DURING CHRISTMAS?

### PRAYER:

GOD, HELP ME MAKE ROOM FOR YOU. I DON'T WANT TO MISS THE MIRACLE YOU'RE DOING IN MY MIDST.

### **TAKE ACTION:**

TAKE FIVE QUIET MINUTES TODAY—NO PHONE, NO NOISE—AND THANK GOD FOR SENDING JESUS.



# December 24th: Good News for Everyone

"I BRING YOU GOOD NEWS THAT WILL BRING GREAT JOY TO ALL PEOPLE." - LUKE 2:10b (NLT)

THE ANGEL'S ANNOUNCEMENT WASN'T JUST FOR A FEW, IT WAS FOR ALL PEOPLE. THAT MEANS THE SAME GOOD NEWS THAT REACHED SHEPHERDS IN A FIELD BACK THEN REACHES YOU TODAY. NO MATTER WHERE YOU'VE BEEN OR WHAT YOU'VE DONE, GOD'S GRACE IS FOR YOU. CHRISTMAS ISN'T JUST ABOUT JOY THAT'S HEARD, IT'S ABOUT JOY THAT'S SHARED. DON'T KEEP THE GOOD NEWS TO YOURSELF THIS CHRISTMAS.



### **REFLECT:**

WHO AROUND YOU NEEDS TO EXPERIENCE THE JOY AND HOPE OF JESUS THIS SEASON?

### PRAYER:

LORD, THANK YOU FOR SAVING ME. GIVE ME BOLDNESS TO SHARE YOUR LOVE WITH SOMEONE THIS WEEK.

### **TAKE ACTION:**

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS WITH 1 PERSON THIS CHRISTMAS.

# December 25th: Peace in the middle

Our devo today is available at www.christmasonthecouch.com

- \* A devo from Ps Nick including a walkthrough communion
- \* Resources for your kids

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