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revealed **the world's worst woe.**

Zacharias further revealed the very heart of true deliverance, saying "That God would grant to us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve Him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of our life." (Luke 1: 74, 75).

So, what is man's worst woe?

Gabriel said the Messiah Saviour would be named "Jesus" (meaning "Saviour") "for He shall save His people from their sins." Sin is the world's worst woe. God's great deliverance for us is a deliverance from sin, and it brings holiness and righteousness, as Zacharias said. This puts the very life, power and mind of God into all we are and all we do.

This deliverance is to be ongoing until we enter heaven. Zacharias described the duration of God's Great Gift of Christmas, saying "all the days of our life."

Don't miss this one critical point in two words of Zacharias: "before Him!" God had told Abraham: "Walk before Me and be perfect." - (Genesis 17:1). Even earlier, "Enoch walked with God" and "God took him" without Enoch dying. (Gen. 5:24; Heb. 11:5). **Victory over man's worst enemy** comes only by God's only promised Saviour: the Christ of

Christmas. They looked forward to His coming and gift of salvation. We look back that He came. But both they and we "look and live," as Hebrews 11 says, by a faith that obeys God. God requires this in order to receive such an undeserved, yet free Gift of Supreme Love; this infinitely indescribable Gift! (2 Cor. 9: 15).

HOW CAN THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH?



This question was rightly asked by a God-chosen leader who fiercely went against the widespread and nation-destroying idolatry of both its leaders and its citizens (2 Kings 9: 17-22). He took immediate and thorough action against the others, but not in relation to his own personal sin! Britain and the world cannot have true, God-given peace until there is full confession and surrender to The Prince of Peace who was foretold 500 years before the first Christmas. That baby Son was also called "*the Mighty God*" and "*Everlasting Father*," and God knew what He was talking about! (Isaiah 9:6, 7). We must turn fully to Christ, let Him brake all slave-chains and magnetism of sin, and let Him cleanse our hearts by His Holy Spirit and set a laser-guided love in our hearts and minds to maintain the path of faithful walking with Him until He takes us Home!

BETHLEHEM CRIED... and so does God. The first Christmas story had tears and should speak to us in our own day. King Herod, the madman, had children killed in Bethlehem in his attempt to get rid of Christ. Herod has been "cloned" today and is very active in his same obsession to ruin God's plan and rid the world of Christ. Hear me: today's Herods have the blood of millions, of all ages, world-wide on their hands right now! Jesus wept over Jerusalem that rejected Him and the rescue He provides. Jesus weeps, woos and waits for you.



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CHRISTMAS IS INTERNATIONAL!

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The Golden Text of the Bible: "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John. 3:16)

A MESSAGE OF HOPE



The first Christmas message was one of global hope. God sent angels to remove fear from those shocked shepherds who watched their sheep on the hillsides around Bethlehem. The angel said "Do not be afraid! Listen! I bring you good news of great joy which will be to all people. (Luke 2:10). Yes, history is full of sadness, fear and horror Today is, too. The

message of Christmas perfectly fits each one of us today. Here is the perfect Christmas Gift for people from all places in this world!

GOD'S GLOBAL GEM



What makes Christmas not only a "national treasure" for Britain, but actually the supreme treasure for the entire world?

The true focus of Christmas is (continued on next page)

HAPPY CHRISTMAS 2021! HAPPY NEW YEAR 2022!



Let's ALL be utterly and constantly possessed with the supreme determination to seek the Lord and to obey and love Him and desire HIS will in our lives more than anything else in the world. This is the greatest way to end one year and start another! God bless and be with you all.

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Christ. Christmas is God sending His long-promised Gift of a Saviour, who the Bible says came specifically “to save us from our sins.” (Matthew 1:21).

So, one side of “the Christmas coin” is Christ coming to us. The other side is that we must individually come to Him. Many of the people in the first Christmas story show an attitude of glad personal effort to come to Christ.

With the “wise men” it involved a very long journey...and more! They set out with the determined goal of finding this unique Saviour Christ, giving Him their hearts, their worship and their gifts. How interesting! They gave gifts to the One who was God’s Gift to them! What an exchange of gifts!



CHRISTMAS EVERY DAY

Some years ago, a popular “seasonal” song expressed the wish that every day would be Christmas. Actually, God Himself would like every day to be Christmas! How? God demands total focus on the *Person* and the *Purpose* of Christmas. He sent Gabriel with this great announcement: “You shall call His name Jesus (meaning “Saviour”) for He will save His people from their

sins.” (Matthew 1:21, repeated!).

30 years later, Jesus had a short, three year ministry along with His followers. On one special occasion they asked Him to teach them to pray. Christ’s reply was a short prayer we call The Lord’s Prayer. In Christ’s reply was the prayer that God’s will would be done here on earth just as it is done in heaven. What a prayer! Even more, What a *possibility!* In heaven it will be Christmas every day, but we can all get started right now, “on earth as it is in heaven!”

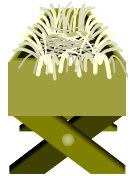
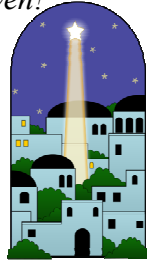
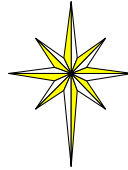
A LESSON FROM BETHLEHEM

So, the “wise men” came looking for “the newborn King.” Jewish religious leaders knew that 500 years earlier, the prophet, Micah (5:2 with Matthew 2:1-6), told that the Messiah Saviour would be born in tiny Bethlehem; not in Jerusalem, the capital city, in earthly luxury.

Bethlehem was “a poor place” for the world’s Saviour to be born.

Lesson: Never feel that you are too insignificant to get the attention of God. He is already looking for you.

However, if you have too high an opinion of yourself, you will never find God or salvation until you climb down from that ladder. “God resists the proud, but gives grace to the truly humble.” (James



4:6; 1 Peter 5:5). God hates pride.

Jesus called a certain cheating, hated rich man to come down... not from a ladder of self-greatness, but down from a tree he climbed to see Jesus as He passed by. (Luke 19). That man and Bethlehem were **despised**, yet God raised both of them! God can lift anybody, if they will humble themselves and come to Him, truly repent, believe and receive His free gift as so perfectly shown on that first Christmas!

THE CHRISTMAS PALACE



London’s *Crystal Palace* was built in 1850-51 in Hyde Park to house a world exhibition. The vast construction, made of **glass** and **iron**, was later moved to another location.

GOD’S Crystal Palace was a manger; a feeding trough for animals. It was located, not in a huge famous park in a world-renown city, but in small, **despised** Bethlehem. It housed The World’s *Greatest Exhibition... ever!* God’s Great Exhibition, “Part Two,” was on the **despised** Cross. Neither location...of Christ’s *Cradle*

or His *Cross*...have moved.

God’s Christmas Palace was see-through like glass and He demands total transparency from us if we truly want to know Him. God is never fooled by man’s darkened glass of deception.

God’s Christmas Palace in Bethlehem was clearer than **crystal** and stronger than **iron**. The strength and transparency of God comes to every believer and receiver of **the Christ of the Christmas Crystal Palace**.

THE WORLD’S WORST WOE

(It is NOT The Grinch!)



For that first Christmas, Gabriel the Angel told Mary that her elderly cousin Elisabeth, was supernaturally 6 months pregnant. Elisabeth’s son, “John the Baptist,” would later announce the coming and ministry of his Divine cousin, Jesus, God’s promised world Saviour. (Matthew 3; Mark 1; Luke 3; John 1; Isaiah 40:3).

The angel, Gabriel, told Elisabeth’s husband, Zacharias, that she would become pregnant, even in her old age. Zacharias did not believe Gabriel’s message, so God shut his mouth for a while for his unbelief!

At “Baby John’s” dedication, God opened Zacharias’ mouth. He burst like a ruptured dam, giving glory to God for what He was doing. He also

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