

## INTRODUCTION.

- A. Obviously, this is the Xmas season. Many people celebrate the birth of X.
- B. But why, why did Jesus come to earth?
- C. The account of His birth in Luke is a favorite of all (Lk. 2:1-11).

## I. **FIRST, TO SHOW MANKIND THE FATHER (GOD).**

- A. Hebrews 1:1-3.  
God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, **2** in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world. **3** And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power. When He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high;
- B. John 10:30, 38.  
“I and the Father are one.” **38** but if I do them, though you do not believe Me, believe the works, that you may know and understand that the Father is in Me, and I in the Father.”
- C. John 14:9-10.  
Jesus said to him, “Have I been so long with you, and yet you have not come to know Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how do you say. ‘Show us the Father’? **10** “Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own initiative, but the Father abiding in Me does His works.
- D. Colossians 1:19.  
For it was the *Father’s* good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in Him,

## II. **SECOND, TO SHOW US HOW TO LIVE WITH ONE ANOTHER.**

- A. Romans 12:10.  
Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor;
- B. Romans 12: 16.  
Be of the same mind toward one another; do not be haughty in mind, but associate with the lowly. Do not be wise in your own estimation.
- C. Romans 13:8.  
Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled *the* law.
- D. Romans 14:13.  
Therefore let us not judge one another anymore, but rather determine this-- not to put an obstacle or a stumbling block in a brother’s way.
- E. Romans 14:19.  
So then let us pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another.
- F. Romans 15:5.  
Now may the God who gives perseverance and encouragement grant you to be of the same mind with one another according to Christ Jesus;
- G. Romans 15:7.  
Wherefore, accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God.
- H. Romans 15:14.  
And concerning you, my brethren, I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, and able also to admonish one another.

## III. **THIRD, TO ESTABLISH HIS CHURCH.**

- A. God had the church in mind before the foundation of the world (Eph. 1:3-4).  
Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, **4** just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before Him. In love

- B. The church was prophesied in the OT (Dan. 2:44; Jer. 31:31; Isa. 2:1-4).  
 (Dan 2:44) “And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed, and that kingdom will not be left for another people; it will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, but it will itself endure forever.  
 (Jer. 31:31) “Behold, days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah,  
 (Isa 2:1-4) The word which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. **2** Now it will come about that In the last days, The mountain of the house of the LORD Will be established as the chief of the mountains, And will be raised above the hills; And all the nations will stream to it. **3** And many peoples will come and say, “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; That He may teach us concerning His ways, And that we may walk in His paths.” For the law will go forth from Zion, And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. **4** And He will judge between the nations, And will render decisions for many peoples; And they will hammer their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not lift up sword against nation, And never again will they learn war.
- C. Jesus said that He would build His church (Mt. 16:18).  
 “And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades shall not overpower it.”'
- D. Jesus purchased the church with His own blood (Ac. 20:28).  
 “Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

#### IV. **FOURTH, TO SAVE US AND FORGIVE OUR SINS.**

- A. Jesus came to give His life as a ransom for the many (Mt. 20:28).  
 “just as the Son of Man did not come to be served. but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”
- B. James came to save sinners (1Tim. 1:15).  
 It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost of all.
- C. Jesus came to seek and to save the lost (Lk. 19:10).  
 “For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.”
- D. For in Him do we have redemption, the forgiveness of our sins (Col. 1:14).  
 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

#### **CONCLUSION.**

- A. Christmas is a very special time of the year.
- B. Midst all the gifts, “hustle and bustle,” my wish for you this season is that you take time to remember WHY He came, WHY Jesus came to the earth. He came:
  1. To show us the Father.
  2. To show us how to live with one another.
  3. To establish His church.
  4. To forgive our sins.
- C. Thank you for inviting me here today.
- D. May you have a safe, and wonderful holiday season.