

The Meaning of Christmas - God Sent forth His Son

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- [0 : 00] Hallelujah. We thank God you've tuned into this message by David Entry at Caris Church. No hand can help you with the fulfillment of your destiny but the Word of God.
- May God's hand align you further into your destiny through this word. Matthew chapter 1 verse 1. The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ. The son of David. The son of Abraham.
- Okay let's all read it from the screen. Let's go. The book of the generation of Jesus Christ. The son of David. The son of Abraham.
- The book of the generation. Let's look at a new King James Version. Let's go. The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ. The son of David. The son of Abraham.
- American Standard Version. New. Let's go. The book of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah. The son of David. The son of Abraham. And then English Standard Version. Let's go.
- [1 : 10] The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ. The son of David. The son of Abraham. And then Amplified Version. The book of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah. The son of the Son of David. The son of Abraham.
- Wow. I like that one. And then New Living Translation. Let's go. The story of the Lord. The son of the Son of David. The son of David. The son of Abraham.
- Wow. Praise the Lord. Father thank you for gathering us together. As we hear your word. We pray. Give us grace to hear from you. Amen. In Jesus name. Amen. Amen.
- The Bible. New Testament. Opens up. With. That verse. The book of the. Generations. Genealogy. Ancestors. Of Jesus Christ. Jesus the Messiah. Jesus the Christ.
- Then he said. He is the son. Of Abraham. Then. Jesus Christ. Sorry. The son of David. The son. Of Abraham. So. Jesus Christ. Is somebody's son.
- [2 : 24] His son. Is very important. Why did he have to say. The son of David. And then the son. Of. Abraham. Because.
- He is tracing. Jesus. Or the Christmas story. From antiquity. The Christmas story. Is not like. Last minute. Shopping list.
- So. Christmas. Was coming. And God. Okay. No. Let me just bring Jesus. No. It wasn't. Last minute. Shopping list. It has been. Planned. By God. From. The beginning. So. The first time. God. Announced. The Christmas story. Was in Genesis. 315. And he announced it. As you know. He announced it. To the devil. He announced it. To the devil. And he said. The seed. Of the woman.
- So. He said. I'll put enmity. Between. The woman. And between thy seed. And her seed. It shall bruise. You mean. New King James. New King James. Yes. I prefer the he. Instead of the she. It.
- I'll put enmity. I'll put enmity. Between you. And the woman. And between your seed. And her. Do you see. That. As. Seed. And then. The he. There's a particular seed. He's talking about. He shall bruise. Your head. And you shall bruise. His heel.

[3 : 55] Damaged head. And damaged. Heels. Which one is more dangerous? Damaged. So he crosses. Jesus crossed the head of Satan. Satan bruised his heels. On the cross. Jesus. So.

That's. It's called. As you. Those of you around. Already might know. Theologians call it. The proto. Evangelion. The first gospel. So. The gospel. Is not something. That just showed up.

It's been there. Then. Centuries later. In Genesis chapter 12. Verse 1. 2. 3. God comes to Abraham. And he said. The reason why I'm calling you. Is because. You are going to be the father.

Of me. So he said. I call you. And. In you. Shall. All. The families. Of the inside you.

That's coming from. Within you. And then. Centuries later. God comes to. David. In 2nd. Samuel chapter 7.

[4 : 54] From verse 12 to 16. And he tells. David. That. I'm going to. When you die. I'm going to raise. A son. After you.

So. This Christmas thing. Is not new. It's. Always been there. It's been part of. God's. Plan.

So. It didn't happen. That once in a while. That. Upon a time. Once upon a time. A woman was there. And God felt. Okay. No. Let me just do this thing. No. No. No. No. God.

Has planned it. And. In Daniel chapter. 9 from verse 24. He kept talking. About the coming of the Messiah. And then in Isaiah.

Chapter 7. Verse 14. Verse 14. He said. God himself. Will give you a sign. That a virgin. Will conceive. How can that be? A virgin can conceive.

[5 : 52] A virgin can conceive. So behold. A virgin shall conceive. And bear. See that. As. Son. So. He's the son of the virgin. He's the son of David.

He's the son of Abraham. So when he arrived. It's already. Something that has always been planned. By God. The first Christmas.

Is the best Christmas. Yeah. You can never have a better Christmas. Than the first Christmas. So that leads me to. Galatians chapter 4. Verse 4 and 5.

Oh. I like this. This is where. I really. I wanted to really. To teach this on Sunday. But. I just can't wait. So I just let out the card. I'm just. It's too much on my system.

It seems. It's too much strong. In my system. Now. The scriptures say that. But. Oh. This is too good. Pastor Charles. Now.

[6 : 51] In the light of what I've been saying. But. Let's all read it. Is it okay to read it? All right. Let's go. Let's go. I'm just going to read it. I'm just going to read it. Wow. When the fullness.

The Old Testament is filled with promises. Prophecies and predictions about the Messiah. Then towards the end of Malachi. For 400 years.

God was not talking. That's a long time. For God to be silent for 400 years. He wasn't talking. God was not speaking. Meanwhile. He's a speaking God. So he wasn't speaking for 400 years.

Then. An angel appears to Zachariah. In the temple. And says that your wife is about to conceive. The forerunner. Of the Messiah. Yeah. So.

But. Around the 400 years. Watch this. I want you to understand something. Jesus Christ. When he was alive. In the days of Jesus. There were a lot of people who were called Jesus.

- [7 : 58] Okay. For instance. When Pontius Pilate asked. Who should I release? Barabbas. Of Jesus Christ of Nazareth.
- They said Barabbas. Barabbas. His name is actually Jesus. Jesus Barabbas. His actual name. Is Jesus Barabbas. And then. Our Jesus is also Jesus.
- Of Nazareth. You know. Bar. Son. Abbas. Son of the. Son of. Son. Barabbas.
- The son of the father. Jesus. The son of the father. And then Jesus. The son. So. Why did I say that? A lot of children were called Jesus. In the Hebrew.
- Is Yeshua. Which is the same as Joshua. So in the Old Testament. When you see Joshua. It is. Translated in the New Testament. As Jesus. Yeah. So. Maybe the one. The Quran has been talking about.
- [8 : 54] Is. One of those ones. That is very important. There are a few things. You have to understand. About Jesus Christ. He wasn't the only one. To die on the cross. There were about.
- 30,000 people. Who were executed. Via the cross. So he wasn't the only one. And number two. He wasn't the only one. Called Jesus. There are a lot of. In fact. Particularly around this time.
- Many children were called Jesus. Do you know why? Because the pressure. Was getting worse. What do I mean. By the pressure. Was getting worse. The Jews. Were under intense pressure.
- Watch this. The Jews. Are people of prophecy. So if you want to. Relate. Or communicate. And get a Jew's attention. You better talk about. Abraham.
- You better talk about. What the prophets have said. Because they really. Don't care. What you've got to say. The news. Is not important to them. Ask the prophets. What prophets. Have said. In Matthew chapter. One.
- [9 : 52] It says that. Verse 22. 22. It says that. So all this was done. That it might be fulfilled. Which was spoken. By the Lord. Through. Hebrew chapter.
- One. Verse one. God. Who in. Some retires. Various ways. Spoke to our fathers. Through the prophets. So. The Jews. What matters to them. Is Abraham.
- And then the law of Moses. And what the prophets have said. And. They knew Abraham. Is going to have a son. They knew. David was going to have a son. There's a son of David coming.
- According to the prophets. And they also knew. That. The prophets. Isaiah. Jeremiah. Elijah. Nahum. Amos. Zachariah. All of them. Kept speaking about.
- The coming Messiah. So they were actually. In anticipation. And then. Towards the end. Of the Old Testament. Things were so bad. They've gone into.
- [10 : 48] Exile. They've come back from exile. Things were so. So it feels like. God has. Abandoned them. And they kept remembering. But God has promised that. The Messiah is coming. It's going to come.
- After the order of David. The Messiah is coming. They knew the Messiah is coming. And so at that time. Unfortunately. They were under the occupation. Of the Roman rule. And the Romans. Were very.
- Very wild. Very. Very. Very strong handed. So they didn't like the Romans. They didn't like the Romans. So they were waiting. For the arrival. Of the Messiah.
- And so around that time. There was a high. Anticipation. Of the coming Messiah. Or. The salvation of God. So people were naming. Their children. God my Savior. God my Savior.
- God my Savior. But they were saying all that. But this boy is not a Savior. And so the angel appears to. Joseph. And he says that his name shall be called.

- [11 : 44] Jesus. He is the original Savior. Now. Galatians 4.4 says that. But when the fullness of time.
- God is never in a hurry. He took his time. Look. Look. From Genesis. From. 400 years. Even. From Genesis.
- From Adam. In the garden. Then Abraham. Yes. Then David. He told David. Told Daniel. Yes. And they were waiting for. The prophecies.
- The. The fulfillment of the prophecies. The predictions. And the promises of God. In the Messiah. That's why when. Jesus showed up. In John chapter 1.
- He said. We found him. Verse 45. He said. We found him. Of whom the prophets. He said. We found. Philip found Natalia. And said to him.
- [12 : 40] We have found him. Of whom Moses. And. In the law. And also the prophets. Wrote. Jesus of Nazareth. The son of Joseph. We found him. So. These people had.
- Audacity to say. The one we have all been waiting for. He has showed up. He has showed up. Now. Back to the Galatians chapter 4. It says that. When.
- The fullness of time. There are six. Six clauses in these two verses. It forms the foundation of Christianity. And for that matter. The Christmas story is really here. But when the fullness of time.
- Had come. God sent forth his son. Born of a woman. Born under the law. Next verse. Verse 5. To redeem those who were under the law. That we might receive.
- Adoption. In these. Two verses. And they form the foundation of Christianity. But all the six clauses. Are built around. One.
- [13 : 36] Of the six clauses. And the core clause. In this text. Verse 4. The core clause. In this text. Is God sent.
- Forth. That's what Christmas is about. I don't like celebration. But it looks like. Now it is. When I hear Christmas. I'm excited.
- I now understand why. It's not a celebration. But that message. That message. That God. Send forth.
- His son. Let's all say that together. What's the meaning of Christmas? What's the meaning of Christmas?
- Ladies. What's the meaning of Christmas? Gentlemen. What's the meaning of Christmas? God sent forth Christmas. All of us. What's the meaning of Christmas? God sent forth Christmas. That's the core thing.
- [14 : 38] God sent. So. That's what makes Christmas. Very special. That's why Christians. Should seize the opportunity. Every pastor must talk about. That.
- At Christmas. Look for opportunity. To speak about it again. God. Sent. Forth. He said. You can't send someone. Who doesn't exist. So.
- Before he was born. By that virgin Mary. He was already there. That's why it had to be a virgin. To. To born him. He had to be a virgin. Because he always. He was already there.
- He just. Supernaturally. Wrapped himself. Into the womb. Of a woman. Wrapped himself. Into. The Bible says. A body. That has prepared. For me. God. Let's all say that together. God sent. Forth his son.
- [15 : 34] God sent. Forth his son. It can only be said. About one person. John chapter. 3 verse. 17. He said. God did not send. His son. John chapter. 17. Verse. 3. John chapter. 17. Verse. 3. He said. When you sent. John 17.

Verse 3. You have. And. Okay. And this is the eternal life. That they may know. You. And. The only true God. And Jesus Christ.

Whom. You have. You see that. Verse 8. Look at verse 8. Let's go.

And they have received them. And I have known surely that. I came from. From you. And they have believed that.

[16:28] You sent me. You see. They have believed. The people have believed that. I didn't just show up. I existed. Before I showed up. Verse 18.

Verse 21. Verse 23. Verse 25. You see all sent. He was sent. He was sent. He was sent. Jesus was sent. Do you know what that means?

Remember. In Luke chapter 2. He was in the temple. And his parents said. Why have you done this to us? We are looking for. He said. Don't you not have to be about my fathers. He came on a business trip.

No. He came. He came. Business class. He came on. Okay. So when the Bible said sent. He is not talking about.

Just. Somebody was sent. It is an emissary. Someone who was commissioned. To go with a certain. Assignment. To go and fulfill it. So. God the Father. God the Son.

[17:26] God the Spirit. They sat down. And planned our redemption. And then they said. The Son said. I will come. In those days.

The difference between. The atonement. In the Old Testament. By the animals. And the atonement. By Jesus. That the animals. Didn't have. Volition. Volition. The animal.

Was just taken. To be slaughtered. But Jesus. He said. Me. I present myself. That's the difference. Two different things. He presented himself.

So he says that. God. Sends. Forth. His son. God. Sends. So number one. He was sent. But what. Is so strange.

About Christmas. And unique. And exclusive. About Christmas. Is that. His son. That baby boy. Is the son of God. What does it mean.

[18:22] For him to be the son of God. He came from the bosom. Of the father. He's actually. God. In the flesh. So angels. Have to come and sing. He's the one. Generations.

Generations. After generation. Every generation. I've been waiting for. Moses spoke about. The prophet spoke about. God told Abraham. God told David. God told Mary. All the. All the prophets.

Spoke about the arrival. Of the son. The prophets. Were useless. Until they spoke about Christmas. Christmas. Is not just about. Jumper.

Take you on all those. Other thin lights. Christmas. Is really about. The arrival of God. On earth. He says that. You shall call his name. Emmanuel. Which by interpretation.

Means that God. Actually God. Oh oh. That's getting interesting. Pastor. It's getting interesting. Please. I don't have time. God. God. Has actually come. To be. See.

[19:17] When you say. God is with us. I know you're here with us. But it's not just. With us. He's actually become. One of us. He says. God.

Sends forth. His son. Watch this. That tells you. About. His divinity. Hello. Hi. What's the meaning of Christmas?

God. Sends forth his son. That's divinity of Christ. So that baby lying down. He. Has divinity. He's God. In a helpless baby.

That's a mystery. He had to depend on Joseph. To take him. To run away. God. God. Who created the.

Universe. Was an infant. Helpless babe. Who had to depend. On a Joseph. To carry him to Egypt. To hide him from Herod. God.

[20 : 14] Divinity. Lying down. So. He says that. God. Sent forth his son. That's his divinity. But look at it. Look at the text. Galatians 4. 4. Number one.

That child. Is God. But. The surrounding text. Is very interesting. You know. Those of you. Who do nursing. Who are nurses.

When you are taken over. From the night shift. What do you do? Hand over notes. And you have to read. The information. About that patient. You don't just take over.

No. No. You have to. So sometimes. Sometimes. So sometimes. When you take a text. It's good to. Look at the surrounding. Text. It will help you.

You know. Hand over notes. But when the fullness of time. It tells us. What God did. And when God did it.

[21 : 12] When did he do it? In the fullness of time. You can't twist God's hands. Then. Wait. God. When are you coming? These Romans are frustrating. When are you coming? He came in his own time.

And yes. He was on time. In the fullness of. So Christmas. Is about. That fullness. It's a. It's a serious thing. No sir. The day.

God became one of us. It is. It is. Bigger than creation. That. The creator. Becomes a creature.

And lives among. The created. He was so much part of us. That. If he told you. He was the creator.

You wouldn't believe it. Yeah. Yeah. You could have. Walked. In the days of Jesus. You could have. Walked to him on the bus. And said. How's your day man? Yeah. I see your ticket. What if.

[22 : 08] God was one of us. It's just. Huh? Can I see your ticket? Jesus Christ.

God. Was so much. One of us. That it was so difficult. Not to. Or difficult to realize. That he's not. Really. Just one of us.

He was. Watch this. This is very important. You have to know this. Okay. I'll say that in the next statement. It. So. The timing. So. What God did. When God did it. Look at the text again.

He said. But when the fullness of time. I come. God sent for his son. Born. Of a woman. You know. What that statement means? How many of you.

Were born of a woman? Yeah. So. God sent for his son. There's only one. He's the only one. Who can be. That can be said about him. But born of a woman.

[23 : 03] Is all of us. Matthew 11. 11. It says that. Amongst all men. Born of women. So Jesus. That phrase. Born of a woman. Means that. Every sense of a natural human being.

Every sense. So. It says that. Surely. This is. This is talking about John the Baptist. I saw that. Among all. Among those. Born of women. There's never. Every human being. Job chapter 14.

Verse 1. It says that. A man. Born of a woman. That also. It's a phrase. It's a statement. It's a statement. It's a statement. It's a statement of humanity. So. God sent forth.

His son. Divinity. Born of a woman. Humanity. So. The divine. Mingles.

Becomes one. With humanity. As I was saying. He was. In every sense of the word. So human. At what point in time.

[24 : 00] Did Jesus differ from us. Is in Hebrews chapter. 4 verse 15. He was. Every way. And every sense of the word. One of us. Am I explaining something?

So. The only difference. Between Jesus. Jesus' humanity. And my humanity. Is that he was without sin. There's no human being. Who can say he's without sin.

Because if Jesus had sin. He couldn't have saved us. He would have needed a savior. He would have needed a savior. So he wouldn't have saved himself. He couldn't have saved us. So.

Without sin. Then. Means a lot. For your salvation. But. The point here is that. He was in every sense. Of the word. Human. Bible said. He was actually tempted.

At all points. Not even one or two. All points. He was tempted. So I don't know. What your temptations are. He was also tempted. He was tempted. He was.

[25 : 00] He was so human. Jesus was so human. That he. Went through all the spectrum. Of humanity. That's what he means by. Born.

Are they serious? So. That's the Christmas story. Now. Born of a woman here. Is not pointing. To his conception. But is pointing. To his.

Incarnation. I'll explain it. Incarnation means that. He became human. Not just about. The conception. The fact that. He existed. And he. Became human.

So Jesus was. Incarnated. And became human. Why do you think. When Jesus arrived. He changed history. We have BC. And. AD.

That changed everything. He is not an ordinary. He is actually God. It doesn't matter what Islam. And all the other people. Want to say. It changed history. His arrival.

[25 : 57] Changed how history. Was even recorded. Shout hallelujah. Hallelujah. Angels had to come and sing. Can you imagine. When he was born. Angels came to sing.

He was born in a. Very humble state. If it was God. He would have. I mean. If it was some of us. You would have seen the way we would have been born. Yes.

Chariots would be coming. And the drama around Mary. Mary's pregnancy. Every time to be on social media. He was born in so.

Simple. Very basic way. That you might even think. That's not him. That's not. That's why the wise men went to the palace.

Because that's a king. But the king was not born in there. He wasn't living in a. Come on. He came to identify with us. When the fullness of time came.

[26 : 59] God sent forth. His son. Born of a woman. Humanity. Born under the law. Ethnicity. What does that mean?

To be under the law. You might be. You must be a Jew. Jesus is Jewish. God. What made the Jews special.

Is not because they have different blood. God made them. Because God chose that. Through this ethnic group. Me. I'm going to become a human being. So.

If God was going to be a human being. He chose this ethnic group. And maintained a certain line. That is why. Matthew chapter 1. As we read. Jesus Christ. The genealogy. Of Jesus Christ. The son of David.

The son of Abraham. Then he begins to say. Abraham begat this one. And he traced the. Genealogy of Jesus. All the men. Were proper. Jewish.

[27 : 53] Circumcised men. No. No. None of the men. In his guideline. Was not circumcised. The women. Were allowed to come in. So. Like Rahab.

Rahab came in. And the Moabites. Ruth came in. Yeah. Because the seed. Is. From the man. So. The woman can.

Carry. The seed. Without contaminating. Or infiltrating. The seed. Is from the. Is God's seed. That's why. All the men. Were proper. Clean.

Jewish men. God. Supervised. The. The cleanness. Of their line. Because he himself. That's how. In. Fullness. Of time.

So. Whilst. He called Abraham. His eyes were on Galatians 4. 4. His eyes were on Christmas day. That's why he called Abraham. Abraham was called because of.

[28 : 50] Oh you didn't hear that. I said Abraham was called because of. Christmas day. It's nice to tweet some way. Why did God call Abraham? Because of Christmas day. What do you mean?

Because God was coming. Christmas is about when God became flesh. Am I. Am I preaching at all? I don't know whether I'm preaching a Christmas message.

But I'm preaching a Christian message. God sent forth his son. Born of a woman. Born under the law.

It's a particular. A particular ethnicity. It's. It says that. I'm not ashamed of the gospel. Romans chapter 1. For it's the power of God. Unto salvation.

To the Jew first. Please. I mean. To the Jew first. Are you getting it? So don't let us dismiss that. The Jews don't matter. Born under the law.

[29 : 48] And he told us why he was born under the law. So he told us. What God did. What did God do? What did God do? Saint 47. When God did it?

When did he do it? Saint 48. Wow. You are the best students. Wow. You know it. So what did God do? Saint 48. When did God do it? Saint 48. Let me end by saying why did he do it?

Saint 48. It's in the text. Verse 5. To redeem those who were under the law. That we might receive adoption.

Calvary. Calvary is not only an atonement center. It's an adoption agency. It's an adoption agency.

Not just atonement. Atonement is absence being paid for. But that's not all God did. God dragged you into his family. Adopt.

[30 : 52] You didn't have to do anything. The Bible said that we might receive. Not attain. Oh. You didn't hear it. That we might receive. The Christmas story happened so that we might receive adoption into God's family.

Ephesians 1.5. We are adopted into God's family. Calvary is an adoption agency. While Christ was on the cross.

He was busily dying for our sins. And not just that. Getting us adopted into God's family. That's why when you are born again. You are a child of God.

God the son became the son of God. So that we can also be the many sons of God. God. So in Hebrews chapter 2 verse 10.

In Hebrews chapter 2 verse 10. Thank you Jesus. It says that. For it is fitting for him. For whom are all things.

[31 : 58] And by whom are all things. In bringing many sons to glory. To make the captain of their salvation. Perfect. What's his plan?

His plan was to bring many sons. Ah. That's why God did. The Christmas story. Is not just for their creation. Has an objective.

For God to bring us into sonship. So when you saw. That baby boy lying in the manger. That baby boy came. So that you can become God's baby boy.

Hallelujah. Tell somebody I'm God's baby boy. Hallelujah. Wow. So. In Romans chapter 8 verse 29.

It says that. For those he. For new he predestined. To be conformed. Into the image. Of his deers. That he might be.

[32 : 58] The first born. Amongst many of the rest of us. I thought you were shouting. Hallelujah for that. Hallelujah. So you see why I like the Christmas story.

It's so beautiful. At this Christmas story. I find myself. I find my place. God. God sent forth his son. That's why.

We have to celebrate it. Every day. Every time. And anytime you hear Christmas. Remember. God sent forth. God himself. Became one of us.

So that we. Can become. Sons of God. You buy more lights. You buy more lights. Christmas lights.

Praise the Lord. What's the meaning of Christmas? What's the Christmas story? What's the Christmas story?

[33 : 56] What's the Christmas story? When did God do that? He came and adopted us. And to. To bring us into adoption. As sons. Let's celebrate Jesus.

So this is what Christmas means to we Christians. It's so deep. So deep. That God became one of us. That we will receive adoption.

So as the baby was lying in the manger. That's why the angel said. The angel said that. Born today in the city of David. It's a savior.

A savior has been born. The baby is a baby. But it's a savior. Savior has been born. He will save us from our sins. Praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord. It says that. Unto us a child is born. Unto us a son is given. And the government shall be upon his shoulders.

[35 : 00] His name shall be wonderful. Counselor. Mighty God. Everlasting Father. Prince of Peace. Wow. Thank you for listening to this message by David Entry.

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