Nine Lessons and Carols 1987

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[0:00] We came down to earth of heaven, who is Lord and Lord of all.

And we share what our table, and we pray what our soul.

In the world, and deep, and holy, in other words, and safe, and holy.

And through all this wondrous power, in thy day, thy hands be free.

He has given your pain and promise, tears and sighs by God's will.

[1:27] And through all this wondrous love, and through all this wondrous love, and through all this wondrous love, For thou Christ, O dear and gentle, is our Lord in heaven upon.

And through all this wondrous love, To take and hold, for it comes as a faithful man.

Beloved in Christ, at this Christmastide, let it be our care and delight to hear again the message of the angels. And in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which has come to pass, and the babe lying in a manger.

Therefore let us read and mark in Holy Scripture the tale of the loving purposes of God from the first days of our disobedience unto the glorious redemption brought us by this Holy Child.

But first let us pray for the needs of the whole world, for peace on earth and goodwill among all his people, for unity and brotherhood within the church he came to build, and especially in this our diocese.

And because this would rejoice his heart, let us remember in his name the poor and helpless, the cold, the hungry, and the oppressed, the sick and them that mourn, the lonely and the unloved, the aged and the little children, all those who know not the Lord Jesus, or who love him not, or who by sin have grieved his heart of love.

Lastly, let us remember before God all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore, and in a greater light, that multitude which no man can number, whose hope was in the word made flesh, and with whom in the Lord Jesus we are one forevermore.

These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the throne of heaven in the words which Christ himself hath taught us, as we say, Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

[6:23] Amen. Please be seated for the reading. The story begins in Genesis with Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden.

Adam and Eve heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day. And the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, Where are you? And he said, I heard the sound of thee in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked, and I hid myself.

He said, Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat? The man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me the fruit of the tree, and I ate.

Then the Lord God said to the woman, What is this that you have done? The woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I ate.

[7:49] The Lord God said to the serpent, Because you have done this, cursed are you above all cattle and above all wild animals.

Upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat, all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, between your seed and her seed.

He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel. To the woman he said, I will greatly multiply your pain in childbearing.

In pain you shall bring forth children, yet your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you. And to Adam he said, Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, you shall not eat of it.

Cursed is the ground because of you. In toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life. Thorns and thistles it shall bring forth to you, and you shall eat the plants of the field.

[9:05] In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken. You are dust, and to dust you shall return.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. As well as shame, Our old man found him, found him in a pond, four thousand with a thousand not too long, and called us for an apple, an apple that he took, as Marcus by then written in her book.

May the apple take me, the apple take me, may have never already, or may have never be free.

Let's have a time, God have taken us, therefore we won't sing it, he our last, we won't sing it, he our last, we won't sing it, he our last.

We won't sing it, he our last. The second lesson is taken from the book of Genesis, in chapter 22, verses 15 to 18.

[11:16] And the angel of the Lord called to Abraham a second time from heaven, and said, By myself I have sworn, says the Lord, because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will indeed bless you, and I will multiply your descendants as the stars of heaven, and as the sand which is on the seashore.

And your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies, and by your descendants shall all the nations of the earth bless themselves, because you have obeyed my voice.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. Also, Amen.

Amen. Amen.

Amen. Amen.

[15:04] The third lesson is taken from the book of the prophet Isaiah, chapter 9, verses 2 and verses 6 and 7.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end. Upon the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore.

The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this. This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

[16:28] Amen. Amen. The other world is set, please.

He lies, and us turn in the morning.

He's ever slinged the sleep of Christ, but near the angels mourning.

This child, how we hear him and sing.

Our confidence and joy shall be, the power of Satan, great King.

[17:43] How He's eternal ■■. The fourth lesson is taken from the book of Isaiah, chapter 11, verses 1 to 9.

There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

And his delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear.

But with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth. And he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall slay the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the girdle of his waist, and faithfulness the girdle of his loins. The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid, and the calf and the lion and the fatling together.

[19:28] And a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall feed, their young shall lie down together, and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

The sucking child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain.

For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Thanks be to God. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

[20:32] Amen. Amen. Father, truth and witness is that Let the glory of you Repeat the hymn again To God on high glory And be sung unto them The word he comes in cork And yet he dreams on high

That cherubim sing and dance To shatter the sky Repeat the hymn again To God on high glory And be sung unto them Since I leave us to the house And I will be the Lord In the glory of you The Lord The Savior of the Lord

Repeat the hymn again To God on high glory And be sung unto them Amen And I will fall Shall perish And never shall be came And Christ shall be In the glory of you In the glory of you And be sung unto them And be sung unto them To God on high glory

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[25:53] CHOIR SINGS CHOIR SINGS Words. Thank you.

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Give us the answer, O God, for us. Amen.

Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

[28:28] Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you. Thank you.

And this is the sixth month with her who was called barren.

For with God nothing will be impossible. And Mary said, Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. Let it be to me according to your word.

[31:17] And the angel departed from her. This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. You all Frosty wind made moan Earth's full heart and Zion Water like a stone Snow hath fallen, snow on snow

Snow on snow In the vivid winter Love alone For God cannot hold him Nor earth sustain him Heaven and earth shall flee away When he comes to lay In the vivid winter The single place of ice

The Lord Almighty Jesus Christ Be now for him who shall be Worship bright and day A person of pain And a manger for the pain Be now for him who angels Fall down before The old sandcastle

And camel Which God adore Angels and our angels May have gathered there Cherubim and Seraphim From the air But only his mother In the maiden grace Worship the beloved With a kiss With a kiss

What can I give him Poor as my love If I were a shepherd I would dream alone If I were a shepherd If I were a shepherd If I were a shepherd I would do my part Yet why can I give him When I'm in a speaking Give Him In the jaw

[36:40] Through Thank you Listen and listen to me Ricky and Mr. Cy vice Hanim To the blind hár The sixth lesson is taken from the Gospel of Luke, chapter 2, verses 1 to 7.

In those days, a decree went out from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment when Quirinius was governor of Syria, and all went to be enrolled, each to his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child.

And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. And she gave birth to her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

The Gospel of Christ. Thanks be to God. used by her.

[38:33] And he sacrificed his His burden The Gospel of Christ In the when There was love and love so streaming, But the land with joy of vaining, When they heard the angels singing, Christ is born in their land.

Shepherds let their thoughts of sway, Hearts of land with joy of vain, When they heard the angels singing, Christ is born in heaven.

Wise men came from far on solving, Helping homage to adore him, Precious gifts they laid before him, And the Lord, and the Lord, and the Lord, Let us God in every nation, Singing in its greatest with exultation, All the world's of high salvation, In the world of me,

Of me, of me, of me, and the Lord, The seventh lesson is taken from the Gospel of Luke, Chapter 2, verses 8 to 12.

And in that region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night. And the angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them.

[41:59] And they were filled with fear. And the angel of the Lord said to them, Be not afraid, for behold, I bring you good news. Of great joy which will come to all people.

For to you is born on this day in the city of David a Savior who is Christ the Lord. And this will be the sign for you.

You will find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. The Gospel of Christ. Thanks be to God.

t Richardcriber's hymn, He loves us to learn, See how earth is life begun, Of thoughts, the Lord eternal, Of thoughts, the Lord eternal.

Christ, a man descending low, Of thoughts on earth, O stranger, Of serdice, the Lord eternal, Be creed in the manger, Be creed in the manger.

[43:42] Christ, in heaven's soul, Of heaven and we must be bewildered, Sonny gave a word to say, And soon a little child, And soon a little child.

Love is love and mercy light, Is the brisk of story, The Lord eternal child, Might lead us out to glory, Might lead us out to glory.

Amen. I'm sorry to have I ever created, I'm sorry to have I never had, Like, I never CAD, May I radiance, I miss you of those I will always have had that idea, So