

THE GOOD NEWS OF CHRISTMAS

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"But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord." Luke 2:10-11 (NIV)

FOUR REASONS GOD SENT JESUS TO EARTH

1. JESUS CAME

"No one has ever seen God. But the unique One, who is himself God, is near to the Father's heart. He has revealed God to us." John 1:18 (NLT)

"The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father."

John 1:14 (NIV)

"Philip said, 'Lord, show us the Father . . . ' Jesus answered: 'Don't you know me, Philip . . . Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father.'" John 14:8-9 (NIV)

2. JESUS CAME TO RELATE

"Jesus answered, 'You say that I am king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth." John 18:37 (NIV)

Jesus: "Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

John 8:32 (NIV)

Jesus: "I have come into the world <u>as a light</u>, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness." John 12:46 (NIV)

3. JESUS CAME

Jesus: "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

Luke 19:10 (NIV)

"The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Matthew 20:28 (NIV)

"I did not come to judge the world, but to save the world." John 12:47 (NIV)

4. JESUS CAME

Jesus: "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

John 10:10 (NIV)

"No mere man has ever seen or heard or even imagined what wonderful things God has ready for those who love the Lord." 1 Corinthians 2:9 (TLB)

"Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!" 2 Corinthians 9:15 (NIV)

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