



## The Gift of Family

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A child is born to us! A son is given to us! And he will be our ruler. He will be called, "Wonderful Counselor," "Mighty God," "Eternal Father," "Prince of Peace."

**Isaiah 9:6 GNT**

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 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. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in clothes and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

**Luke 2:8-14 NIV**

# The Gift of Christ

## 1. Jesus defends his family at the cross.

An angel of the Lord appeared to [Joseph] in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

**Matthew 1:20-21 NIV**

## 2. Jesus delivers his family through his resurrection.

Praise the Lord, the God of Israel, because he has visited and redeemed his people. He has sent us a mighty Savior, from the royal line of his servant David, just as he promised through his holy prophets long ago. Now we will be saved from our enemies and from all who hate us. He has been merciful to our ancestors by remembering his sacred covenant—the covenant he swore with an oath to our ancestor Abraham. We have been rescued from our enemies so we can serve God without fear, in holiness and righteousness for as long as we live.

**Luke 1:68-75 NLT**

## 3. Jesus secures his family for eternity.

"Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. . . his kingdom will never end."

**Luke 1:30-32, 33b NIV**

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

**John 3:16 NIV**

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### Weekend Music:

Oh Come All Ye Faithful (Thrive Worship) • Hark (Thrive Worship) •  
O Holy Night (Hillsong Worship) • Joy To The World (Hillsong Worship) • Silent Night (Chris Tomlin)