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THE PEN OF A READY WRITER

...I SPEAK OF THE THINGS WHICH I HAVE MADE TOUCHING THE KING:
MY TONGUE IS THE PEN OF A READY WRITER (PSALM 45:1).

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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Faith comes by hearing; and, hearing by the word of God. Hearing God comes by the Word of God. A wife who has a husband disobedient to God's Word is admonished to be in subjection to her husband. Why? Because an unbelieving spouse can be won to Christ by the conversation of their mate, coupled with fear (1 Peter 3:1-2).

Peter speaks of our behavior, what we do and not what we say. This fear which tempers our conduct is the fear of God's judgment. Not for ourselves. There is now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. The Apostle Paul expressed this fear mentioned by Peter: "Knowing the terror of the Lord, we persuade men" (2 Corinthians 5:11).

We learn of our sin from God's Word. We learn that none of us is righteous, in and of ourselves. We came into this world condemned to the vengeance of eternal fire (Jude 1:7). Yet, we can know the forgiveness of our sin and have the righteousness of God accredited to our account through receiving the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour!

God has made Christ to be sin for us (he who knew no sin), that we might be made the righteousness of God in Christ (2 Corinthians 5:21). This righteousness of God is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe, for there is no difference: all of us have sinned and come short of the glory of God (Romans 3:22-23).

Through faith in Christ's blood, shed for our sins, we receive remission of sins. As Peter declared to Cornelius and his household: *To him* (that is, to Jesus Christ) *give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins* (Acts 10:43).

Hearing the Word of God gives opportunity for faith in the Word of God to take root and to grow. The Bible tells us that God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life (John 3:16). The Word of God yields saving faith to all who will receive it. As it is written: *How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things* (Romans 10:15, Isaiah 52:7).

Christ is our peace. As the angel of the Lord declared, *Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord* (Luke 2:10-11). Merry Christmas!



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Joy to the World!

The Lord has come! As I reflect on Jesus' birth and on my own salvation, I praise God that, as a child at the age of 12, I accepted the wonderful gift, the free gift that God gave to me: my salvation!

The wages of sin is death; but, the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord (Romans 6:23). Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved (Acts 2:21, Romans 10:13). I called!

The best gift I can give to my husband, my children and my grandchildren is time, time with me. I realize that the gifts I give to those I love will not be remembered five years from now; however, those special times of sipping hot chocolate and eating all the Christmas goodies will be remembered.

So, spend time with your family. Make memories with those children and grandchildren. They will remember you in the years until our Lord returns.

May you truly sense His Joy this Christmas as you celebrate, with your family and friends, the birth of our Lord and Savior!



The Daily Bible Reading Schedule, 2024

There is no charge for this Bible Reading guide. They are free upon your request and available while supplies last.

Set in a convenient calendar format, they are thin enough to slip behind the cover of your Bible. The attractive design reminds us that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who died on the cross as the Lamb of God, will reign as the Son of David.

Good Tidings of Great Joy!

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

DECEMBER

December 3rd – Bible Baptist Tabernacle, Monroe, NC

December 11th-15th – Blessed Hope Baptist Church, Alvarado, TX

December 25th – Christmas Day

December 31st – Bible Baptist Church, Marietta, GA