

**MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS:**

- I will memorize **John 3:17 (NIV)**
- I will accept Christ for the first time or recommit my life to Christ
- I will join the New Life church family
- I will accept God's peace today

**Upcoming Events:**

- **Saturday 6pm** will *not* be held but join us for our **New Year's Eve Watch Night Service** on Saturday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at **10pm**. **Mix & Mingle Hour starts at 9pm** and **doors will open at 8:30pm**.
- **Kid's Pajama Party New Year's Eve Service** on Saturday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at 10pm. **Check in starts at 9:45pm**. Come dressed in your PJ's and bring your sleeping bag.
- **New Year's Day service** on Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup> at **11am ONLY**

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# God's Gift of Power to You This Christmas

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**THE PURPOSE OF CHRISTMAS**

**1. THE FIRST PURPOSE OF CHRISTMAS IS**

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*"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 of great joy that will be for all the people." **Luke 2:8-10 (NIV)***

**WHY DO WE CELEBRATE?**

**WE CELEBRATE BECAUSE CHRIST WAS \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_ FOR OUR SINS.**

➤ **GOD \_\_\_\_\_ US**

*"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)***

➤ **GOD IS \_\_\_\_\_ US**

*"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. All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" (which means God with us)." **Matthew 1:21-23 (NIV)***

**The Amazing Power of Peace**

➤ GOD IS \_\_\_\_\_ US!

**MEMORY VERSE:**

*For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.*

**John 3:17 (NIV)**

**2. THE SECOND PURPOSE OF CHRISTMAS IS**

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*"Today in the town of David a Savior has been born for you; He is Christ the Lord!"* **Luke 2:11 (NIV)**

**WHAT IS SALVATION?**

**THE ACT OF BEING \_\_\_\_\_**

➤ **RESCUED \_\_\_\_\_ MY \_\_\_\_\_**

*"What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this dying body? I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I myself am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh, to the law of sin."* **Romans 7:24–25 (HCSB)**

*"I've tried everything and nothing helps. I'm at the end of my rope. Is there no one who can do anything for me? Isn't that the real question? The answer, thank God, is that Jesus Christ can and does. He acted to set things right in this life of contradictions where I want to serve God with all my heart and mind, but am pulled by the influence of sin to do something totally different."* **Romans 7:24–25 (MSG)**

➤ **RESCUED \_\_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_\_**

*"He saved us and called us to be his own people, not because of what we have done, but because of his own purpose and grace. He gave us this grace by means of Christ Jesus before the beginning of time."*

**2 Timothy 1:9 (GNB)**

➤ **RESCUED \_\_\_\_\_ GOD'S \_\_\_\_\_**

*"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast."* **Ephesians 2:8–9 (NIV)**

**3. THE THIRD PURPOSE OF CHRISTMAS IS**

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*"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"* **Luke 2:13–14 (NKJV)**

**WHAT KIND OF PEACE DOES JESUS GIVE?**

➤ **PEACE \_\_\_\_\_ GOD (spiritual)**

*"God Now that we have been put right with God through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."*

**Romans 5:1 (GNB)**

➤ **PEACE \_\_\_\_\_ GOD (emotional)**

*"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus."* **Philippians 4:6–7 (NLT)**

➤ **PEACE WITH \_\_\_\_\_ (relational)**

*"Blessed are the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God."* **Matthew 5:9 (NKJV)**

*"It makes no difference who you are or where you're from—if you want God and are ready to do as he says, the door is open."*

**Acts 10:35 (MSG)**

**ACCEPT GOD'S \_\_\_\_\_ TODAY!**