

## **Isaiah 9:2-3 (NIV)**

The people walking in darkness have seen  
a great light; on those living in the land of  
the shadow of death a light has dawned. <sup>3</sup>

You have enlarged the nation and increased  
their JOY; they REJOICE before You as  
people rejoice at the harvest...

## **Zechariah 9:9 (NIV)**

**REJOICE** greatly, O Daughter of Zion!  
Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See, your  
King comes to you, righteous and having  
salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on  
a colt, the foal of a donkey.

## **Luke 2:8-9 (NIV)**

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. <sup>9</sup> An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.

## **Luke 2:10 (NIV)**

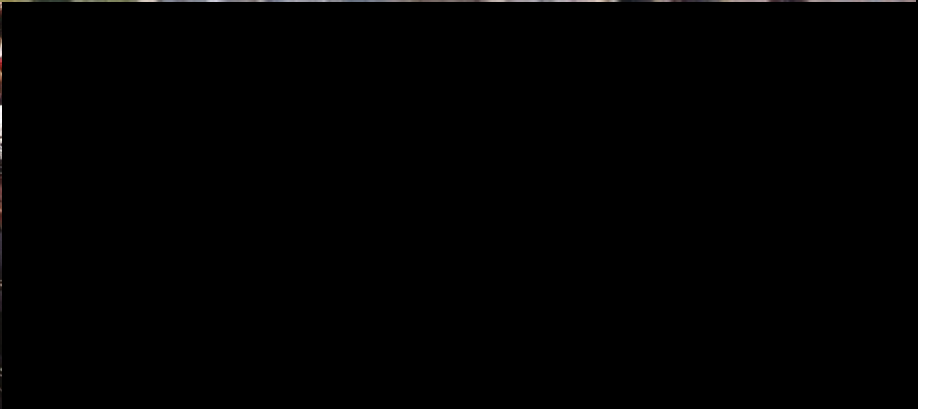
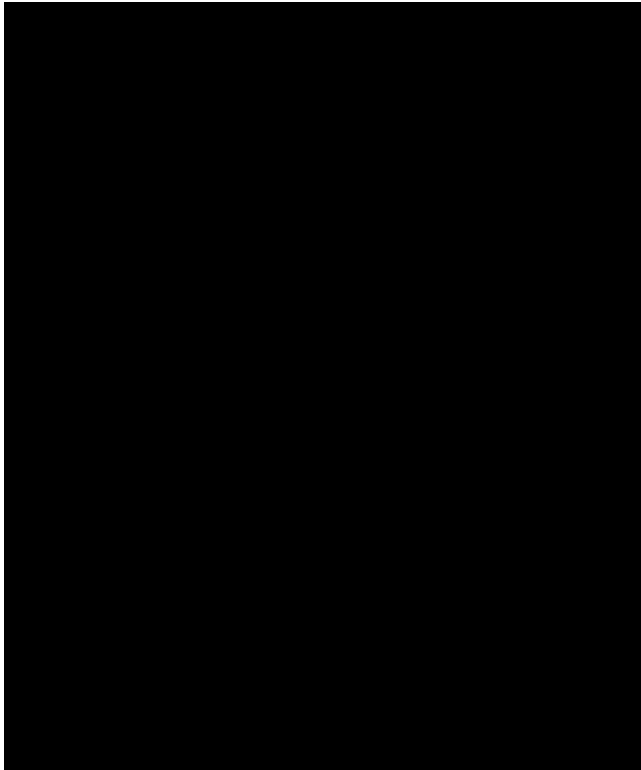
But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great JOY that will be for all the people. <sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.

# **Message of Great JOY**

**Luke 2:8-20**















John 1:9 (NIV)

The **TRUE light** that gives light to every  
man **was coming** into the world.

John 8:12 (NIV)

...**I AM** the **LIGHT** of the world.

Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.



<sup>3</sup> **YOU** have enlarged the nation and  
**Increased** their **JOY**; they **REJOICE**  
before You as people rejoice  
at the harvest...

The triumph of God's GRACE  
over our depressing failures is  
**JOY unspeakable** and  
full of glory forever. PTW

<sup>9</sup> **REJOICE**, O people of Zion!  
**SHOUT** in triumph, O people of Jerusalem!  
**LOOK**, your **King** is coming to you...

(NLT)



Good Christian men, rejoice,  
With heart and soul, and voice;  
Now ye hear of endless bliss:  
**Jesus Christ was BORN for this.**  
He hath opened the heavenly door,  
And man is blessed evermore.

Good Christian men, rejoice,  
With heart and soul, and voice;  
Now ye need not fear the grave:  
**Jesus Christ was born to SAVE.**

Luke 19:10 (NLT)

For the **Son of Man** came to  
**SEEK** and **SAVE** those  
who are **LOST**.



Mark 10:45 (NIV)

For even the Son of Man did  
**NOT** come to be served, **but TO SERVE**,  
and to **GIVE** His **LIFE** as a  
**RANSOM** for many.

<sup>10</sup> ...I bring you **GOOD NEWS** of  
**GREAT JOY** that will be for  
**ALL** the people.

<sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David  
a **SAVIOR** has been **born** to you;  
He is Christ the Lord.

Matthew 1:21 (NIV)

...give **birth to a Son**, and you are to  
give Him the **Name Jesus**, because  
He will **SAVE His people**  
from their sins.



2 Corinthians 5:21 (NIV)

God made **Him** who had  
**NO sin** to **BE SIN** for us, so that  
**IN Him** we might become the  
**righteousness of God.**

Romans 8:1 (NIV)

...there is now **NO condemnation**  
for those who are **IN Christ Jesus,**



Romans 8:31-32 (NIV)

What, then, shall we say in response to this?

**If God is FOR us,**  
who can be **against us?**

32 He who did **NOT spare His own Son**,  
but **gave** Him up for **us ALL** -  
how will He not also, along with Him,  
graciously give us all things?

I heard the bells on Christmas Day  
Their old, familiar carols play,  
and wild and sweet - The words repeat  
**Of peace on earth, good-will to men!**

And in **despair** I bowed my head  
There is **no peace** on earth I said  
For **hate** is strong and mocks the song  
Of peace on earth, good will to men



Then rang the bells more loud and deep  
**God is NOT dead, nor does He sleep**

The wrong shall fail, the right prevail  
**With peace on earth, good will to men**

Romans 8:38-39 (NIV)

For I am convinced that **neither** death  
nor life, **neither** angels nor demons,  
**neither** the present nor the future,  
nor any powers,

39 **neither** height nor depth, nor anything  
else in all creation,  
**will be able to separate us** from  
the **LOVE of God** that is in  
Christ Jesus our Lord.