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<sup>10</sup> And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. <sup>11</sup> For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

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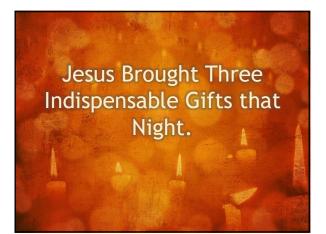
<sup>12</sup> And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." <sup>13</sup> And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

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<sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

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<sup>15</sup> When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us."



#### Jesus Brings Light to Darkness.

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#### The Darkness Was Broken by Two Forces.

- Angel Appeared to Them
- Glory of God Encompassed Them
  - Old Testament = Weight
  - New Testament = Light

When Jesus Enters the World, Nothing Is the Same after Jesus. Everything Has Changed.

Jesus Brings Great Joy for Great Fear.

V.10 And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. φοβέω φόβος μέγας Phobeo Phobos Megas

"Terrified with Terror that is Terrible"

The Great Joy of Christmas does not only address the immediate fear. It is for all people.

Jesus is Here. Sin will be Paid For. The Presence and Love of God is Open to Man.

Jesus Brings Presence to the Promise.

V.11-12 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."

#### God's Long-Declared Promise Had Become Material.

- "You"  $\rightarrow$  4x in 3 Verses.
- Narrowingly Specific
  - This Day
  - City of David
  - Savior. Christ. The Lord.
  - Sign. Baby. Cloths. Manger.

The Birth of Jesus Means the Forever, Irreversible Salvation of God Can Be Ours In Person and For Real.

It's Not Christmas until You Meet Jesus.