

church” or “your church” or “this church” or “that church”; I mean what God means about this—Have you repented and called for Christ to deliver you? It is now up to you to let Jesus save you. Any time later may be much too late to decide, *“Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation”* (2 Corinthians 6:2).

Please—right now—turn away from sin and turn your life over to Jesus Christ; accept His gift to you—eternal life! *“As many as received Him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God”* (John 1:12). **God promised!**

If you decided to accept Christ’s gift offer of eternal life, this is for you:

Become a **strong** Christian

1. **Tell a friend** right away that you have accepted Jesus as your Savior. *“Let the redeemed of the Lord say so”* (Psalm 107:2).

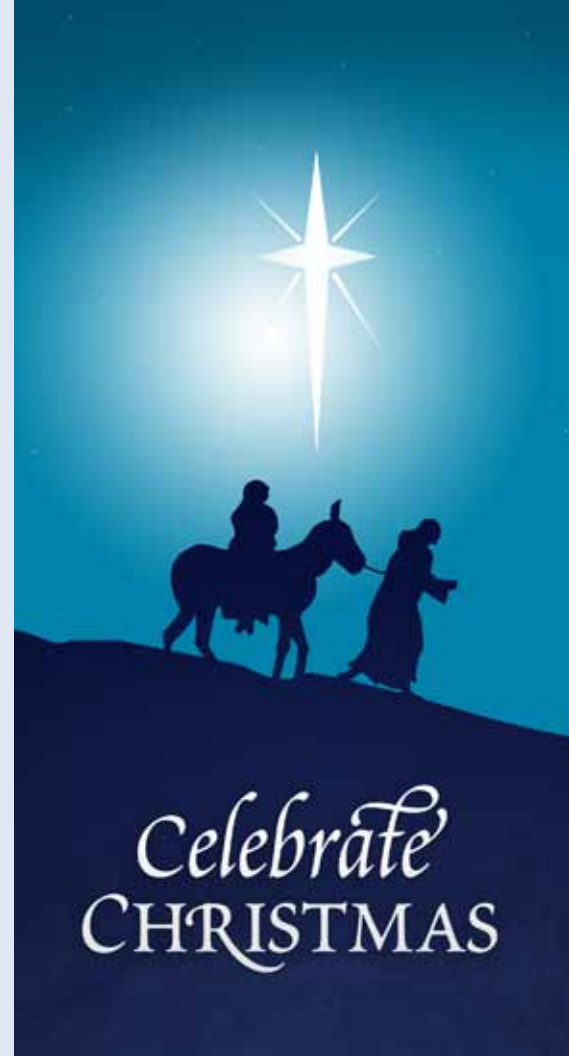
2. **Be confident** that salvation is forever, *“For He hath said, ‘I will **never** leave thee nor . . . forsake thee”* (Hebrews 13:5); **“know** that you have **eternal life”** (1 John 5:13).

3. Study and **obey the Bible**, *“If ye continue in **my word**, then are ye my disciples indeed”* (John 8:31).

4. **Pray** about all your needs and desires, *“in everything . . . let your requests be known **unto God”*** (Philippians 4:6).

5. **Go to** a Bible-teaching **church** every Sunday, *“Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is, but **exhorting one another”*** (Hebrews 10:25).

5. **Tell others** every day about Jesus and His wonderful gift of eternal salvation. (Acts 2:47)



Celebrate
CHRISTMAS

“For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.” *Luke 2:11*

“unto you” Of first importance in Christ’s humbling Himself to come into this sin-cursed world was “you”. God loves “you”, and all these wonderful truths are for “you”. God does not live in a vacuum, and neither do “you”. God is practical and personal; He clothed Himself in human form through the virgin birth in order to present Himself to “you” in a way “you” would clearly understand Him and His purpose to die on the cross for “you” and rise triumphantly from the grave. “You” must make the decision on your own to turn to Christ and ask for pardon and cleansing. No one can make the choice for “you”. Please ask Jesus Christ right now to be your personal Savior.

“this day” This emphasizes how urgent it is for us to make peace with the loving God who is angry with us because of our sins. Christ was born into this world to take our punishment and give us the gift of eternal life. “this day” you should seek and accept forgiveness of sins,

because you do not know when you will die. “this day” is the most sensible time to receive Christ as Savior, for surely no one should put off for another moment the joy of knowing God personally. “this day” –now–is the best time to accept the gift of God while you are still thinking about it! Please accept Him now!

“the city of David” This mention of the literal geographical birthplace of Jesus Christ emphasizes the reality of the marvelous truth of God’s Son coming to this world to save us from sin. David, Israel’s first king, was a real historical figure; Bethlehem is today a thriving city in Israel. The truth of the opportunity of possessing eternal life is as real as anything or anyone you could know on this earth.

“a Saviour... Christ the Lord” Since Jesus “Christ” is the “Saviour” (Rescuer; Deliverer), it is obvious that there is something in every person from

which we must be saved, and from which only God can save us. That “something,” of course, is sin—our willful rebellion against God’s will for our lives. “Christ” is not merely

someone we might like to include in our Christmas celebrations. “Christ” is neither a holiday accent nor a religious “Saint Nick”; He is the “Saviour” Who bled and died for our sins, and rose again. Since Christmas is truly the celebration of God’s coming into the world by means of human birth, then we must honor

Him as the “Saviour” by turning from sin and fleeing to Him for forgiveness and eternal life! Have you been saved? If not, why have Christmas at all?—for Christmas is “Christ”—His birthday!

Do you have the right Savior, Jesus Christ? Everyone has a religion of some sort. I do not mean, “Do you have a church—“my

*For God so
loved the
world that
he gave
his only
begotten
son . . .*

John 3:16