



Christmas:

IT'S ALL GOOD

MESSAGE THREE:

Be the News

GOOD NEWS!

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BE RICH

Give • Serve • Love

2020 GOAL: \$10,000

2020 INTERSECT PARTNERS



new generations



*Silent
Nights*

Christmas Eve Service

IS IT TRUE?

IS IT GOOD?

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*“Do not be afraid.
I bring you **good news**
that will cause **great joy**
for **all the people.**”*

Luke 2: 10 NIV

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THE GOSPEL

GOOD STORY

GOOD NEWS

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What makes this **good** news
so good is that we are
not **so good**.

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Why isn't **everybody**
"leaning in" to this good news
of the **kingdom** Jesus preached?

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What happened
to the good news?

We happened!

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“**AMERICANIZED**” GOSPEL

Politicized

“Prosperitized”

Anti-Intellectualized

Internalized

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*Before the **coming** of this faith (**Jesus**),
we (**Jews**) were held in **custody** under the **law**, ...
... the law was our **guardian** until Christ came ...*

*So, **in Christ Jesus** you are **all** (people)
children of God through faith, ...*

*There is neither **Jew** nor Gentile,
neither **slave** nor free, nor is there **male** or female
for you are **all one** in Christ **Jesus**.*

Galatians 3: 23-24, 26 & 28 NIV

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GOOD NEWS!

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But what about **you**?



Are **you** good news?

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*Therefore, if **you** have any **encouragement**
from being united (**all one**) with Christ (**in Jesus**),
if any **comfort** from his love,
if any common sharing (**fellowship**) in the Spirit,
if any **tenderness** (affection) and **compassion** (mercy),
then make my **joy complete** (unbounded)
by being **like-minded** (walk together),
having the **same love** (one passion),
being one in **spirit** and of one **mind**.*

Philippians 2: 1-2 NIV

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*Do **nothing** out of selfish **ambition** or vain **conceit**.
Rather in humility **value others** above yourselves,
not looking to your **own interests**
but each of you to the **interests** of the **others**.
In your **relationships** with one another
have the **same mindset** as Christ Jesus:
Who, **being** in very nature **God**,
did not consider **equality** with God
something to be **used** to his own advantage;*

Philippians 2: 3-6 NIV

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*rather he (Jesus) made (reduced) himself nothing
by taking the very nature of a (lowly) servant,
being made in human likeness.
And being found in appearance (revealed) as a man,
he humbled himself (became vulnerable)
by becoming obedient (perfect example) to death
- even death (criminal's death) on a cross! ...*

Philippians 2: 7-8 NIV

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*Therefore, my dear friends, ...
... continue to **work out** your salvation (**follow Jesus**)
with fear (reverence) and trembling (respect),
for it is **God** who **works** in you to **will** (empower)
and to **act** (do) in order to fulfill his **good** purpose (**works**).
Do **everything** without grumbling (**complaining**) or arguing,
so that you may become **blameless** (faultless)
and pure, "**children** of God without **fault** (innocent)
in a warped (**perverse**) and crooked generation (**culture**)."
Then you will **shine** in the world like **stars** in the sky ...*

Philippians 2: 12-15 NIV

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4 WAYS TO BE GOOD NEWS

1. Apologize immediately.
2. Forgive quickly.
3. Defer habitually.
4. Give sacrificially.

*“You are the **light** of the **world**.
... let **your light** shine before others,
that they may **see** your **good deeds** (works)
and **glorify** (recognize) your **Father in heaven**”*

Matthew 5: 14 & 16 NIV

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3 QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

1. Have you ever been tempted to **give up** faith because of an **encounter** with a **person** of faith?
2. Read **Philippians 2: 1-8**. Do you **reflect** Paul's instructions in such a way to **shine** like a **star**?
3. Is there anyone you need to **apologize** to, **forgive**, **defer** to or **give** sacrificially to, in order to let your **faith** in Jesus **shine** like a star?