Christmas Eve 2020

I. Introduction

A. Luke 2:10-11 (NLT) ¹⁰But the angel reassured them. "Don't be afraid!" he said. "I bring you good news of great joy for everyone! ¹¹The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born tonight in Bethlehem, the city of David!"

II. Why Did Jesus Come to Earth?

- A. To communicate _____ to us
 - 1. John 14:6 (NAS) Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me."
 - 2. John 8:12 (NAS) "I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life."
- B. To _____ mankind
 - 1. Romans 5:12 (NAS) Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned.
 - 2. Luke 19:10 (NAS) "For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."
 - a. _____ are _____ to God!
- C. To give us _____
 - 1. John 10:10 (NAS) "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."
 - 2. What is abundant life?
 - a. Life with meaning and _____
 - b. A life of _____
 - i. John 14:27 (NAS) "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful."
 - c. A life of _____

- D. To show us what _____ is really like
 - 1. Colossians 1:15a (NAS) And He is the image of the invisible God.
 - 2. Matthew 1:18-23 (NLT) ¹⁸Now this is how Jesus the Messiah was born. His mother, Mary, was engaged to be married to Joseph. But while she was still a virgin, she became pregnant by the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹Joseph, her fiancé, being a just man, decided to break the engagement quietly, so as not to disgrace her publicly. ²⁰As he considered this, he fell asleep, and an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream. "Joseph, son of David," the angel said, "do not be afraid to go ahead with your marriage to Mary. For the child within her has been conceived by the Holy Spirit. ²¹And she will have a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." ²²All of this happened to fulfill the Lord's message through his prophet: ²³"Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son, and he will be called Immanuel (meaning, God is with us)."
 - 3. You need to _____ God's _____ to you!
 - 4. John 1:12 (NAS) But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name.

III. Conclusion