



## **Christmas Delivered - Week #1**

### **Examining the “Specs” of the Savior**

#### **Spec #1: Jesus fulfills the law completely!**

Luke 2:22-24 (NIV)

*When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord<sup>23</sup> (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male is to be consecrated to the Lord”),<sup>24</sup> and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: “a pair of doves or two young pigeons.”*

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.*

- Jesus willingly came under the law so we could be free from the law!

#### **Spec #2: Jesus is a universal Savior!**

Luke 2:25-33 (NIV)

*Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was*

on him. <sup>26</sup> It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. <sup>27</sup> Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, <sup>28</sup> Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying: <sup>29</sup> "Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace. <sup>30</sup> For my eyes have seen your salvation, <sup>31</sup> which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: <sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel." <sup>33</sup> The child's father and mother marveled at what was said about him.

- Jesus is a Savior for all!
- Christmas was never meant to be merely traditions we keep, but Christmas was always meant to be delivered!

Luke 2:29 (NIV)

*"Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace.*

### **Spec #3: Jesus is the dividing line!**

Luke 2:34-35 (NIV)

*Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, <sup>35</sup> so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."*

- Jesus is the dividing line of eternity!

John 3:18-21 (NIV)

*Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. <sup>19</sup> This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup> Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. <sup>21</sup> But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.*