



# Welcome to Grand Heights 19 December 2021 Today's Message from Dr. Jason Lee

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# What Child is This? #137

"When they had seen Him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this Child" Luke 2:17

#### William Dix

What Child is this, who laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping? Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?

This, this is Christ, the King Whom shepherds guard and angels sing Haste, haste to bring Him laud The Babe, the Son of Mary!

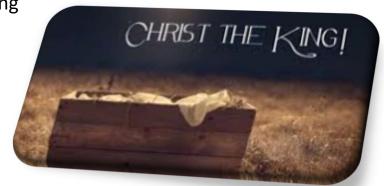
Why lies He in such mean estate, where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christian, fear, for sinners here, the silent Word is pleading

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So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peasant, king to own Him The King of kings salvation brings; Let loving hearts enthrone Him

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## One Small Child #164

"She gave birth to a Son, a male Child, who will rule all the nations." Rev. 12:5

David Meece

One small Child in a land of a thousand
One small dream of a Savior tonight
One small hand reaching out to the starlight
One small city of life -- Oh!

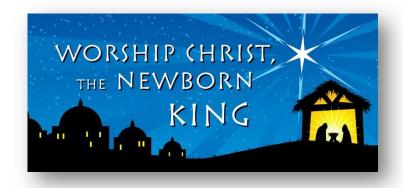
One king bringing his gold and riches
One King ruling an army of might
One king kneeling with incense and candlelight
One King bringing us life -- Oh!

See Him lying, a cradle beneath Him See Him smiling in the stall See His mother praising His Father See His tiny eyelids fall

One small light from the flame of a candle
One small light from a city of might
One small light from the stars in the endless night
One small light from a face – Oh!

See the shepherds kneeling before Him See the kings on bended knee See His mother praising His Father See the Blessed Infant sleep

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# **Luke 2:8-14** — English Standard Version (ESV)

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<sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in the highest,

and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!



# Hark! The Herald Angels Sing #133

"The heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God." Luke 2:13

#### **Traditional French Carol**

Hark! the herald angels sing:

"Glory to the newborn King!

Peace on earth and mercy mild,

God and sinners reconciled"

Joyful, all ye nations rise

Join the triumph of the skies

With angelic hosts proclaim:

"Christ is born in Bethlehem"

Hark! the herald angels sing: "Glory to the newborn King!"

Christ, by highest heav'n adored

Christ, the everlasting Lord!

Late in time behold Him come

Offspring of a virgin's womb

Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;

Hail th'incarnate Deity

Pleased as man with men to dwell

Jesus, our Emmanuel

Hark! the herald angels sing: "Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!

Hail the Son of Righteousness!

Light and life to all He brings

Ris'n with healing in His wings

Mild He lays His glory by

Born that man no more may die

Born to raise the sons of earth

Born to give them second birth

Hark! the herald angels sing: "Glory to the newborn King!"



# Offering: He Made a Way in a Manger

"And she gave birth to her firstborn, a son.

She wrapped Him in cloths and placed Him in a manger..." Luke 2:7

#### Steve Merkel and Lee Black

Longing for a Savior
A hopeless world would wait
Sin demanded justice
At a price we could not pay
But God displayed his mercy
The greatest gift of love
When we could not reach heaven
Heaven came to us

He made a way in a manger
A way through the Son
Messiah the Promised
Before time had begun
For God so loved this world
Though He knew
What love would cost
He made a way in a manger
To make a way to the cross

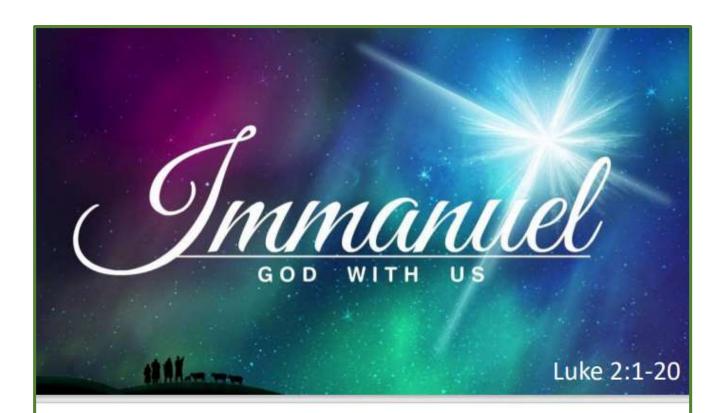
In Bethlehem a stable
Became a throne of grace
As God Himself our Savior
Drew near to take our place

His mother smiled in wonder As shepherds stood in awe The sacrifice of heaven Lay sleeping in the straw He made a way in a manger
A way through the Son
Messiah, the Promised
Before time had begun
For God so loved this world
Though He knew what love would cost
He made a way in a manger
To make a way to the cross

He is the life that died our death The precious Lord Jesus Laid down His sweet head

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head The stars in the sky looked down where He lay The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay

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To make a way to the cross
He made a way



#### Scene 1:

The Birth of Jesus, the Son of David

#### Luke 2:1-7

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

Knowing God Brings Him Glory- [13] And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, [14] "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

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#### Luke 2:15-20

[15] 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." [16] And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. [17] And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. [18] And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. [19] But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. [20] And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. (ESV)

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## **Christmas Hallelujah**

"And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to death — even death on a cross!" Phil. 2:8

Lance Stafford, Leonard Cohen

I've heard about this baby boy
Who's come to earth to bring us joy
And I just want to sing this song to you
Emmanuel has come to Earth
The virgin Mary's given birth
Into a world that sings out Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah

A couple came to Bethlehem
Expecting child, they searched the inn
To find a place for You were coming soon
There was no room for them to stay
So in a manger filled with hay
God's only Son was born, oh Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah

The shepherds left their flocks by night
To see this baby wrapped in light
A host of angels led them all to You
It was just as the angels said

You'll find Him in a manger bed Immanuel and Savior, Hallelujah Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

A star shown bright up in the east
To Bethlehem, the wisemen three
Came many miles
And journeyed long for You
And to the place at which You were
Their frankincense and gold and myrrh
They gave to You and cried out Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

I know You came to rescue me
This baby boy would grow to be
A man and one day die for me and you
My sins would drive the nails in You
That rugged cross was my cross, too
Still every breath You drew was Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah



# Joy to the World! #125

"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah...out of you will come for Me One who will rule over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times" Mic. 5:2

Isaac Watts

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King
Let every heart prepare Him room
And heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love, and wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.





# Joy to the World

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