

## INTRODUCTION

- \* THE FEAST OF THE INCARNATION - better known as Christmas - commemorates an event that would change the world
- \* Luke 2: 11 "For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."
- \* Last week we considered "The Timing of the Message" ... "when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son"
- \* Today, we want to consider "The Theme of the Message" - the birth of a Savior!

## INSTRUCTION

### I. THE TIMING OF THE MESSAGE

### II. THE THEME OF THE MESSAGE

#### A. Why Did He Come To Save Us?

1. THE R \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Romans 5:6-10; I John 4: 9-10)
  - a. Our \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. His \_\_\_\_\_
2. THE P \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. That He Might R \_\_\_\_\_ Us
  - b. That He Might P \_\_\_\_\_ Us

#### B. How Did He Save Us?

1. BY \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Ephesians 1:7)
  - c. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_
2. THROUGH \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Eph 2: 8-9; Rom 10: 8-13)
  - a. B \_\_\_\_\_ in Your H \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. C \_\_\_\_\_ with Your M \_\_\_\_\_

### III. THE SUBJECT OF THE MESSAGE (12/20)

### IV. THE RECIPIENTS OF THE MESSAGE (12/24)

#### Galatians 4:4-5

<sup>4</sup> But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup> to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

#### Matthew 1:19-21

<sup>19</sup> Then Joseph her husband, being a just *man*, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly. <sup>20</sup> But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup> And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins."

#### Titus 2:11-14

<sup>11</sup> For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, <sup>12</sup> teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, <sup>13</sup> looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, <sup>14</sup> who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself *His* own special people, zealous for good works.

#### Titus 3:4-7

<sup>4</sup> But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, <sup>5</sup> not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, <sup>6</sup> whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup> that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

#### Ephesians 2:8-10

<sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not of works, lest anyone should boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

## INTROSPECTION

☞ THE ORIGINAL CHRISTMAS GIFT ... JESUS!

☞ WHAT HAVE YOU DONE WITH THE GIFT OF A SAVIOR?

☞ Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation! (II Corinthians 6: 2)