



## 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

- 1 - Bake a treat for a neighbor
- 2 - Read Christmas books
- 3 - Write a kindness note for someone
- 4 - Sing Christmas carols
- 5 - Decorate our gingerbread house
- 6 - Holiday movie marathon
- 7 - Drink hot cocoa
- 8 - Make a holiday decoration
- 9 - Make goodies bags for homeless
- 10 - Go to the store and hand out candy canes
- 11 - Bake cookies
- 12 - Read the story of the birth of Christ

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Just want to be by your  
side to celebrate the  
New Year.

**MISS YOU!**

THIS IS  
THE YEAR I WILL  
BE STRONGER  
BRAVER  
KINDER &  
UNSTOPPABLE  
THIS YEAR I WILL BE  
*Fierce.*



What sort of  
**NEW YEAR'S**  
resolution should  
a Christian make?

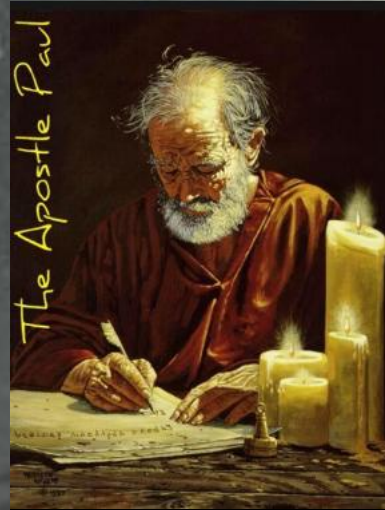
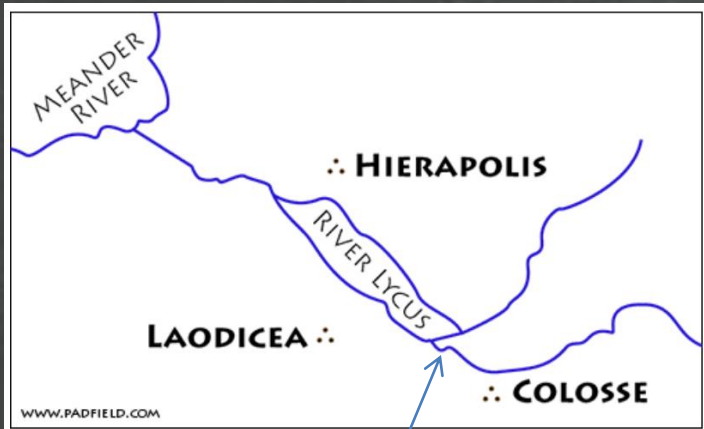
1. The Gospel Has Come To You
2. Freedom from Human Regulations
3. Do Not Let Anyone Judge You
4. Leaders in Perfect Harmony
5. No Favoritism for God's Household
6. Recociled in His Sight



**Solus Christus - In Christ Alone**

# Colossians 1:3-14

Live a Life like the Christians in Colossae



Greetings,  
Grace and peace  
to you from God  
our Father...



we have heard of...

- 1) Your Faith in Christ Jesus
- 2) The Love you have for all the Saints

Colossians 1:4

# Colossians 1:3-14

Faith and Love Generate Hope.

"...The faith & love  
that spring  
from the  
**hope**  
that is stored up  
for you  
in heaven..."

Colossians 1:5



LOVE PEOPLE,  
NOT THINGS;  
USE THINGS,  
NOT PEOPLE.

# Colossians 1:3-14

## In Christ Alone

### "In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This cornerstone, this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest  
drought and storm

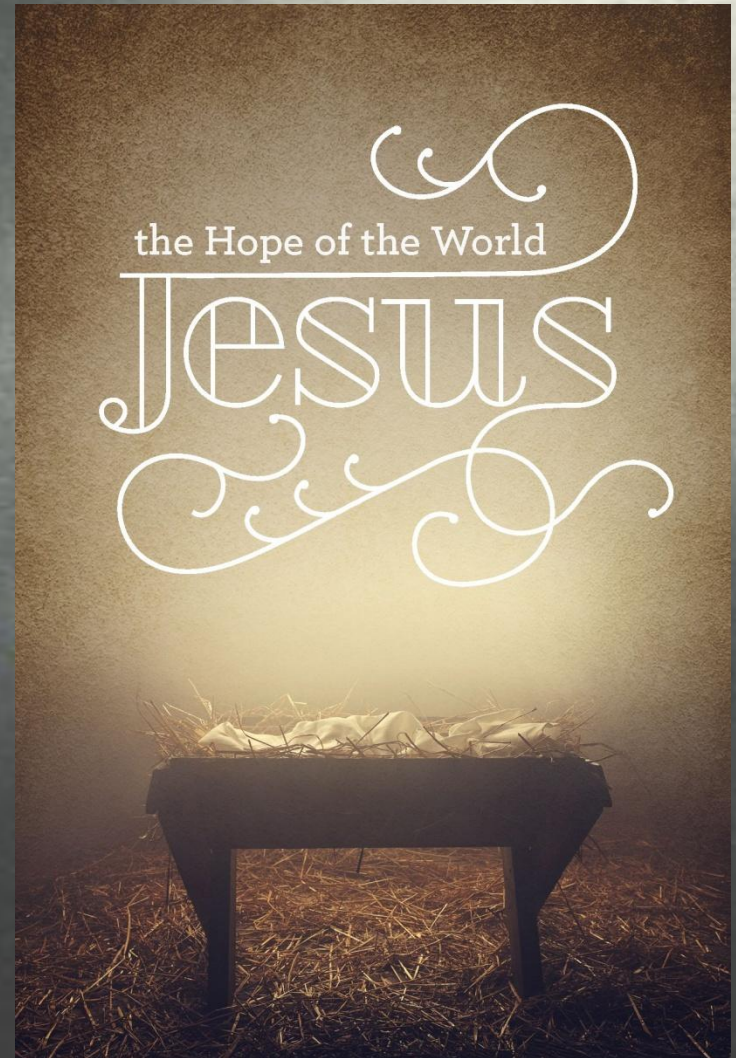
What heights of love,  
what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled,  
when strivings cease  
My Comforter, my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ Alone, who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save

For He has  
rescued us from the  
dominion of darkness  
and brought us into the  
kingdom of the  
Son He loves,  
in whom we have  
redemption,  
the forgiveness of sins.

Colossians 1:13-14

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# “Epiphany of Our Lord”

*Behold, the Lord is with you. He appeared.*

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*“Let us adore Him, like the Magi”*

*Pope Francis*



## ***Praise Him!***

*After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, **Magi from the east** came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him." (Matthew 2:1-2)*

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***Give Your Precious Gifts for Him.***

*On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh (Matthew 2:11).*

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## 2. Love for all God's people.



LOVE LIKE  
JESUS

**John 13:1**

When Jesus knew that his hour had come  
to depart out of this world to the Father,  
having loved his own who were in the world,

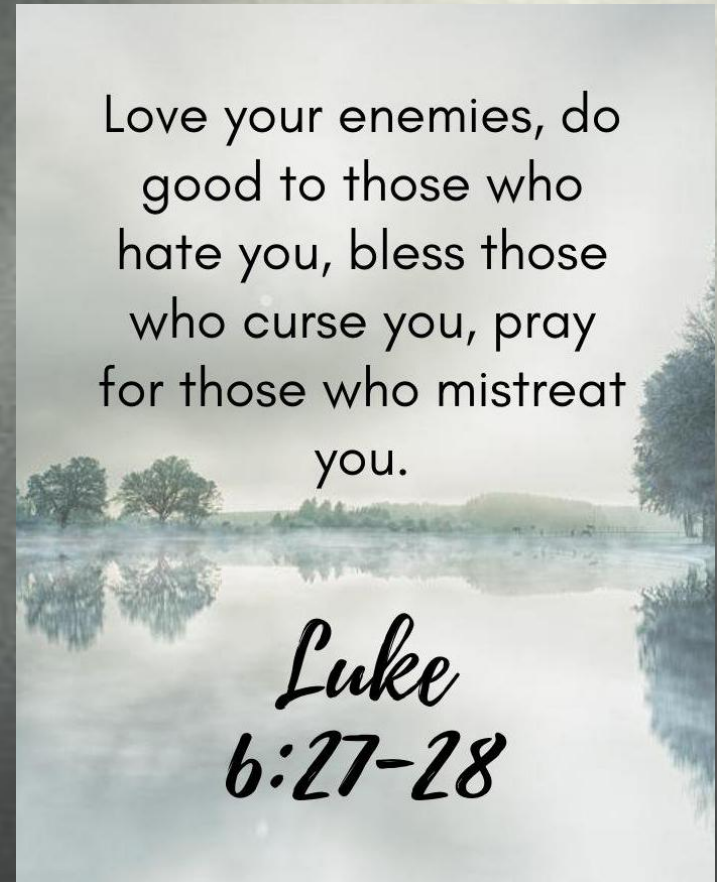
**HE LOVED  
THEM**

to the end.

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*Christiana G. Rossetti, 1885*

**LOVE CAME DOWN AT CHRISTMAS**  
Christina Rossetti (1830 - 1894)

Love came down at  
Christmas,  
Love all lovely, love  
divine.  
Love was born at  
Christmas,  
Star and angels gave  
the sign.



1. Love came down at Christ-mas, Love all love - ly, Love Di - vine;  
2. Wor - ship we the God - head, Love In - car - nate, Love Di - vine;  
3. Love shall be our to - ken, Love be yours and love be mine,  
Love was born at Christ-mas, Star and an - gels gave the sign.  
Wor-ship we our Je - sus: But where-with for sa - cred sign?  
Love to God and all men, Love for plea and gift and sign. A - MEN.

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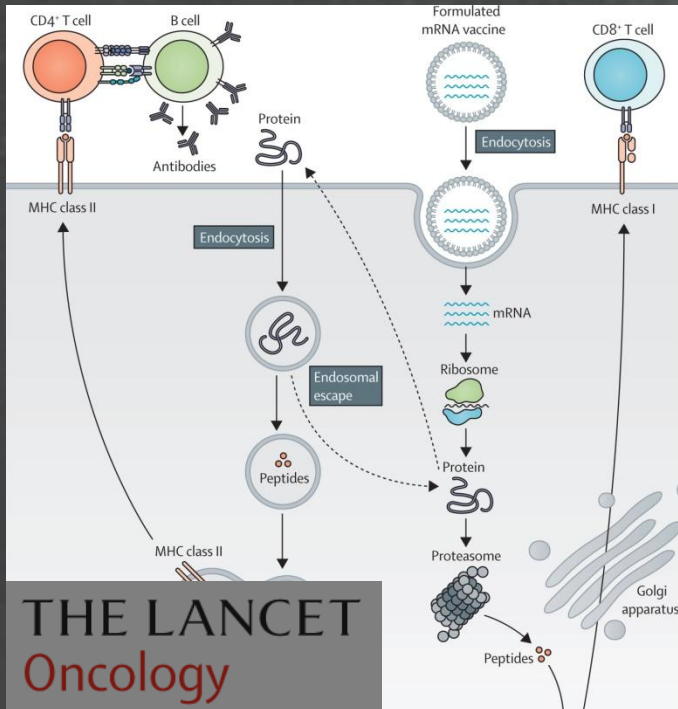
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## Reasons for Optimism in 2023

Even in a world facing many challenges, there are reasons to be hopeful about next year and beyond.

The New York Times



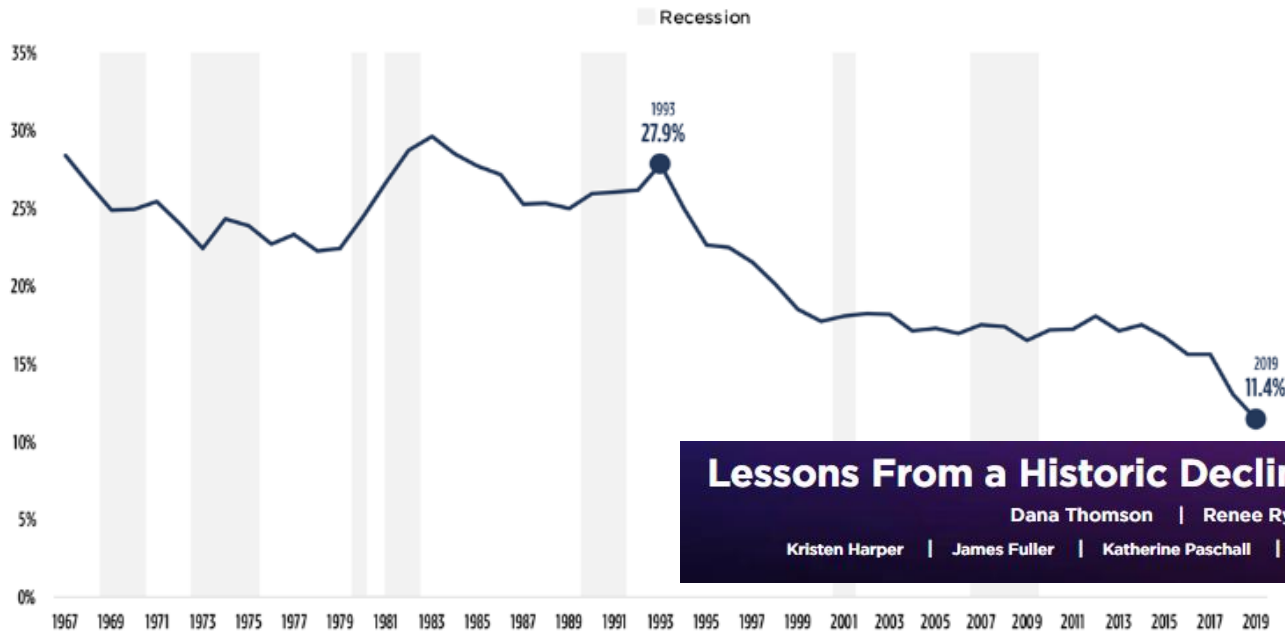
Clinical advances and ongoing trials of mRNA vaccines for cancer treatment

Cathrine Lund Lorentzen, MD • Prof John B Haanen, MD PhD • Özcan Met, PhD • Prof Inge Marie Svane, MD PhD

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**Child Poverty Rates Measured Using the Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM), 1967-2019**



#### Lessons From a Historic Decline in Child Poverty

Dana Thomson | Renee Ryberg

Kristen Harper | James Fuller | Katherine Paschall | Jody Franklin | Lina Guzman

**Note:** To provide context for the more recent decline in child poverty, we present trends in child SPM poverty rates back to 1967.

**Sources:** Child Trends' analysis of the historical Supplemental Poverty Measure data from the [Columbia Center on Poverty and Social Policy](#), anchored to 2012 thresholds. Recession data are from the [National Bureau of Economic Research](#).

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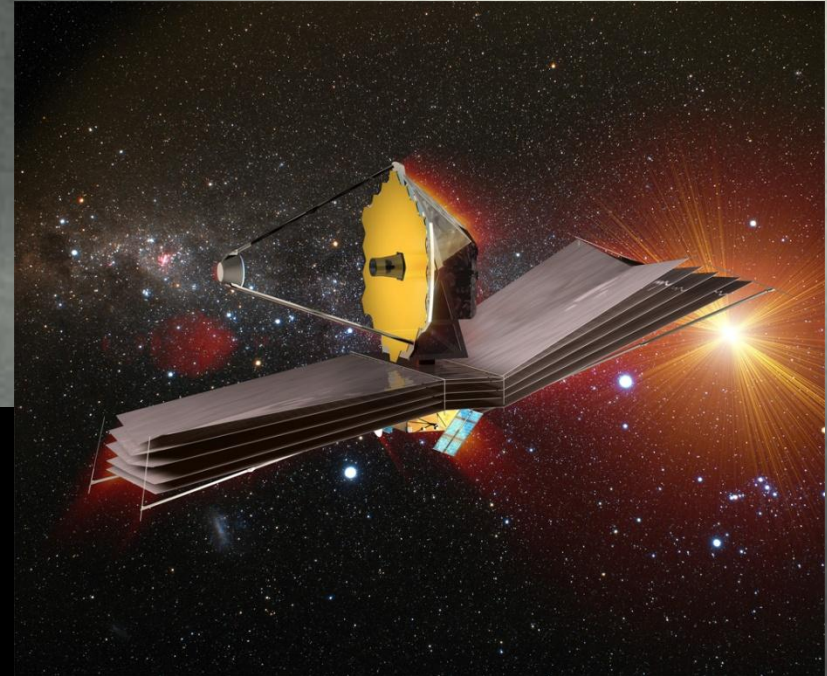
**The world is banking on giant carbon-sucking fans to clean our climate mess. It's a big risk.**

By [Ivana Kottasová](#), CNN Video and Photos by Temujin Doran, CNN Design by Carlotta Dotto, CNN  
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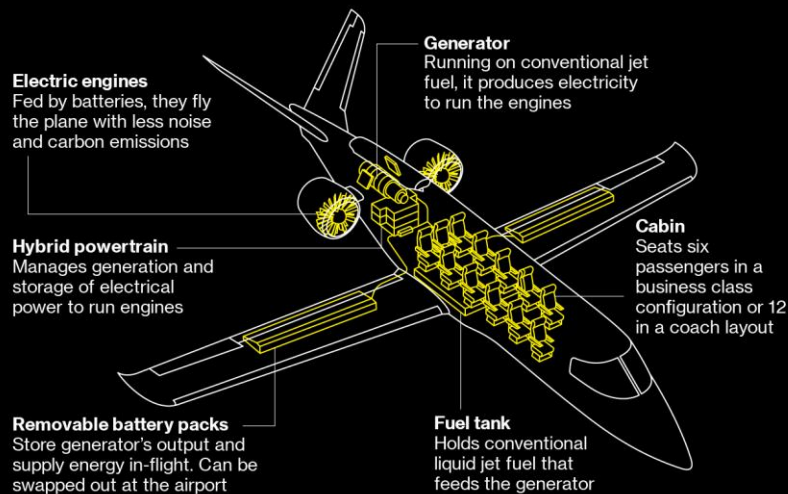
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#### Cleaner Airways

Hybrid airplanes promise to cut carbon emissions. Here's how one would work based on a design by the aviation startup Zunum Aero.



Source: Zunum Aero Inc.  
Illustration By Chris Philpot

BloombergQuickTake

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*MyContecture*



*A wooden skyscraper  
Brumunddal, Norway*

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## ChatGPT Is a Stunning AI, but Human Jobs Are Safe (for Now)

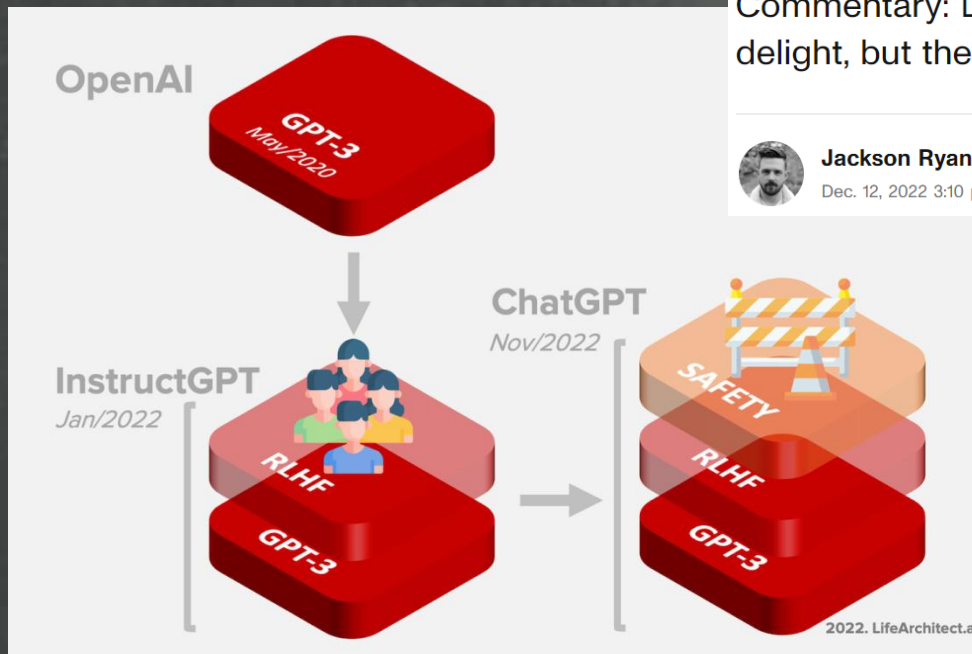
Commentary: Large language models can surprise and delight, but they're not perfect.



Jackson Ryan

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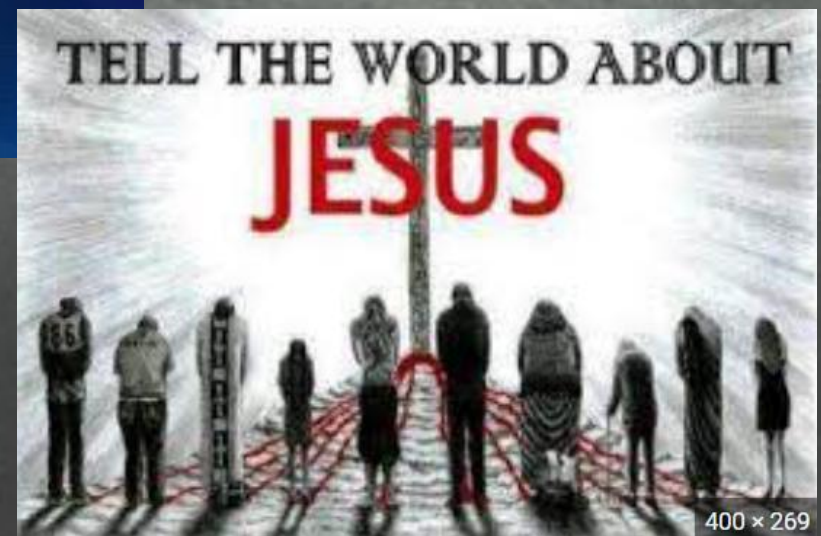
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## TELL THEM OF JESUS

*Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you.*

Mark 5:19



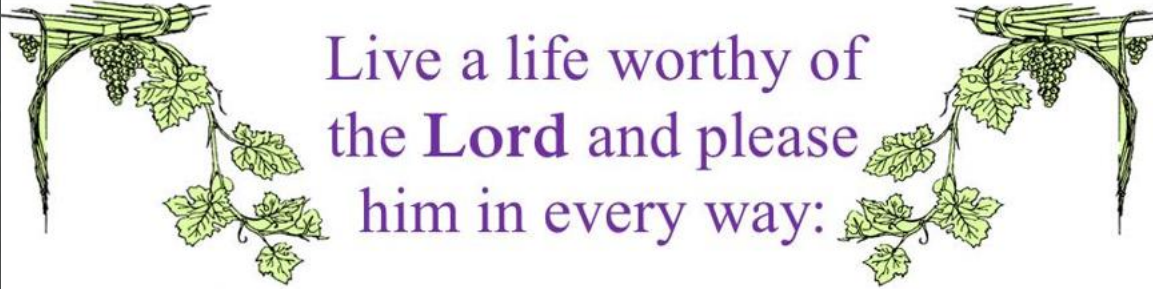
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Live a life worthy of the **Lord** and please him in every way:

bearing **fruit** in every good work, growing in the knowledge of **God**, being strengthened with all **power** according to his glorious **might** so that you may have great **endurance** and **patience** and giving **joyful thanks** to the Father

Colossians 1:10-11



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