

We Wish You a Merry Christmas



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PEOPLE NEED THE LORD

A large, diverse crowd of people is shown from behind, with many of them raising their hands in the air, suggesting a moment of worship or praise. In the lower-left foreground, a man with light-colored hair, wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and red tie, is speaking into a black microphone. The background is a bright, overexposed area where the silhouettes of the crowd are visible against a light sky. The overall atmosphere is one of a religious gathering or concert.

Caroling Today





Christmas Eve on Wed. 5 & 8 p.m.



A painting of three wise men (Magi) on camels in a desert. They are dressed in traditional robes and turbans, and are looking towards a bright, star-like light in the sky. The sky is dark with many stars, and the desert landscape is visible in the background.

1. Find the Yonder Star in Darkness
2. Lead to the Star of Bethlehem
3. O Star of Wonder, Star of Light

4. Star-Child of Immanuel
5. Perfect Light of the Holy Night
6. Carols of the Light

A Journey to
the Star of Wonder Star of Light

Matthew 1:18-25

Joseph's Mary was Found with A Baby

This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 1:18

Matthew 1:18-25

Jesus is Emmanuel, God-with-Us

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Ἐμμανουήλ, ὁ ἔστιν



ἡ παρθένος ἐν γαστρὶ ἔξει καὶ τέξεται υἱόν καὶ καλέσεις τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ Ἐμμανουήλ (*Is. 7:14 LXX*)

Matthew 1:18-25

The Son will Save People from Sins

John 3:16

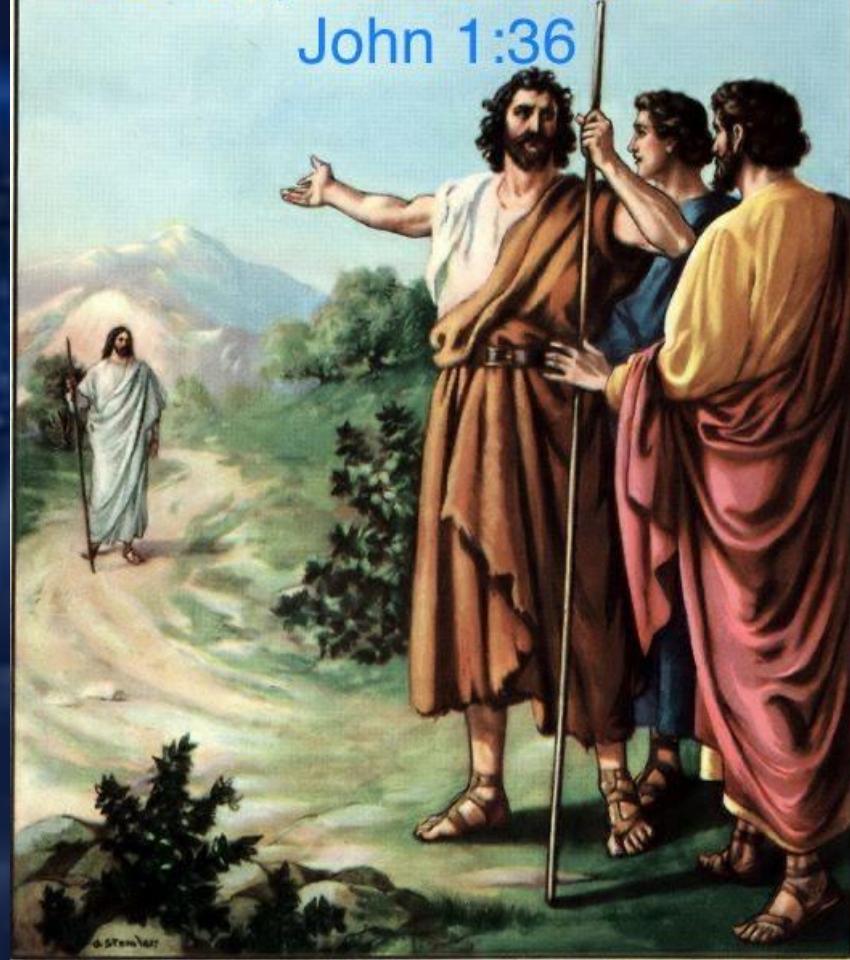
16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

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“Behold, the Lamb of God.”

John 1:36



Matthew 1:18-25

Righteous Joseph, Righteous Christians

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was a righteous man
and did not want to expose her
to public disgrace,
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Matt. 1:19



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Part 4. Star-Child of Immanuel

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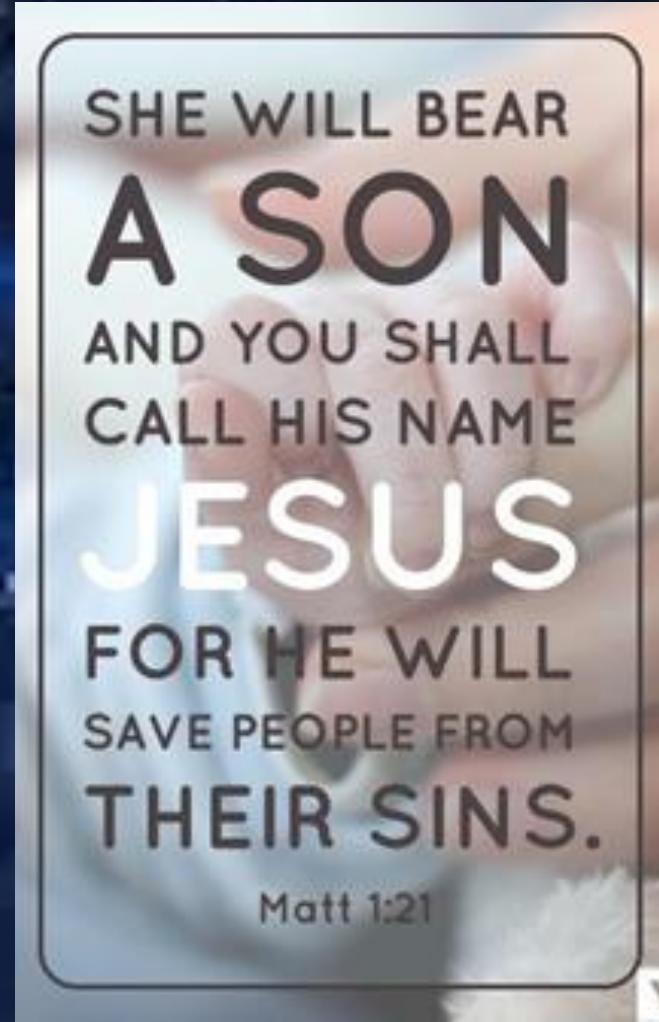
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GOD
has a plan for
your life!

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3. *Joseph believed what the angel of the Lord said.*



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Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.
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