

## Blessings in the House

# The Story of The Ages

A Weekly devotional message for the whole family

Through out the ages, true worshippers have been looking for the coming of the Christ. Since the first prophesy in Genesis, *"And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel"* (Gen. 3:15), people have been looking and longing for His appearance. *"Oh that I knew where I might find him! that I might come even to his seat!"* (Job 23:3).

The prophets, the angels and the heavens all pointed to the coming of the Christ, so that true worshippers will know where to find Him.

### Who is the Christ?

The prophets and the angels tell us who He is.

*"Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel" (Isa. 7:14). "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace" (Isa. 9:6).*

*"But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. (21) And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. (22) Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, (23) Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us" (Matthew 1:20-23).*

*"And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, (27) To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. (28) And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. (29) And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. (30) And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. (31) And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. (32) He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: (33) And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end" (Luke 1:26-33).*

From these scriptures we can clearly see that the Christ is The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, and The Prince of Peace. He is God with us. Truly, this is a great mystery that has been revealed to us. *"And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory" (1 Timothy 3:16).* The Story of the Ages, Christ is God with us.

## The Reason Why Christ Came

The prophets tell us why He came.

To work salvation in the world. *"For God is my King of old, working salvation in the midst of the earth"* (Psalm 74:12.)

To heal, bless and save. *"It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the Lord, and the excellency of our God. (3) Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees. (4) Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompence; he will come and save you. (5) Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. (6) Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert"* (Isa. 35:2-6).

We are in need of salvation for our souls, healing for our bodies, and spiritual blessings for our souls. The Almighty God knew this, so He came to bring us these great gifts. The Story of the Ages, God with us bringing us the gifts of salvation, healings, and spiritual blessings.

## Finding the Christ

The prophets, angels and the heavens told the true worshippers where to find the Christ.

The words of the prophet, He will be born in Bethlehem. *"But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting"* (Micah 5:2).

The appearance of the star, guiding the worshippers. *"When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. (10) When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. (11) And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh"* (Matthew 2:9-11).

The proclamation of the angels. *"And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. (9) And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. (10) And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. (11) For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. (12) And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. (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, good will toward men (15) And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us"* (Luke 2:8-15).

The way to find Christ was and is not difficult for true worshippers. The Lord provided prophecies, and those, weather angels or preachers to direct sincere seekers. If we have a sincere heart, we will see the Lord. This is the Story of the Ages.

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*“Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: thou hast received gifts for men; yea, for the rebellious also, that the Lord God might dwell among them. (19) Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Selah. (20) He that is our God is the God of salvation; and unto GOD the Lord belong the issues from death” (Psa 68:18-20).*

Today, true worshippers are still looking for the One who will save, heal and bless them. They are looking for God our savior, Emmanuel, God with us. They are looking for Jesus. Let us join the prophets, angels and the heavens to proclaim Jesus to the world. Let us join the angels, and all the true worshippers, and worship the Jesus Christ. The Story of the Ages, God is with us. Let us praise Him for this great miracle.