

Messages of Christmas Giving & Joy to the World

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Introduction

- Two dominant messages of Christmas
 - Giving
 - Celebration of Christ's birth
- It is my desire two things for you tonight
 - A desire to be more Christ like in thought and deed in our giving this Christmas
 - Feel to rejoice at the Savior's birth
- Imagine you had no \$, nor your parents to give you for gifts to give anyone for Christmas
 - What would you do?
 - A song, A story, A testimony, A video, Some thoughts
 - Little Drummer boy
 - Good Turn Diary – Sister Dalton (Testimony)
 - The Gift
 - Add thoughts as appropriate

- Turn our thoughts to the Savior
 - A song, some scriptures, A testimony
 - What Child is this? (Brickman)

- Luke 2:10

"And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

 - The message of Christmas – tidings of great joy
- Why?

Luke 2:11
 "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord"

- Birth of Christ an expression of God's love for us – His gift to us
 - John 3:16

" 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"
- Christ's life and deeds are an expression of his love for our Heavenly Father and for us

- He so loved us that he such that he suffered for you and me
 - Mosiah 3:7
 - Suffer for our sins
 - Alma 7:11-13
 - He did this so that he might draw us to him and succor us to

- Shared my favorite two Christmas Songs – Just shared two of my favorite scriptures of Christ
 - Two more favorites that sum up his mission
 - Isaiah 61:1-4
 - Isaiah 53:4-5

- This is why I rejoice at his birth
- Testimony

