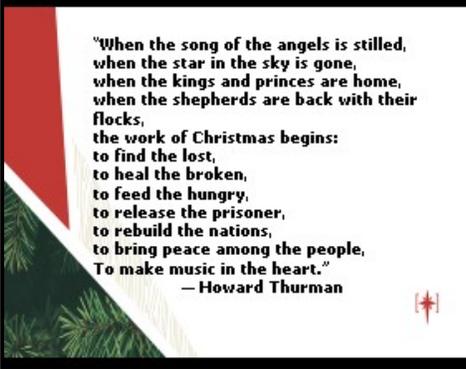


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2. "When the song of 1. Page 1



2. "When the song of 2. Page 2



"When the song of the angels is stilled,  
when the star in the sky is gone,  
when the kings and princes are home,  
when the shepherds are back with their  
flocks,

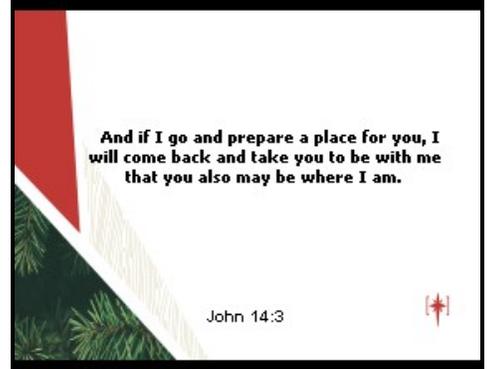
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5. John 14:3 (NIV) 1. John 14:3



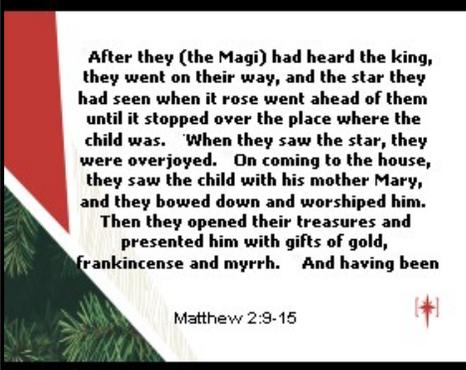
3And if I go and prepare a place for you, I  
will come back and take you to be with me  
that you also may be where I am.

6. 1 Thessalonians 5:2 1. 1 Thessalonians 5:2



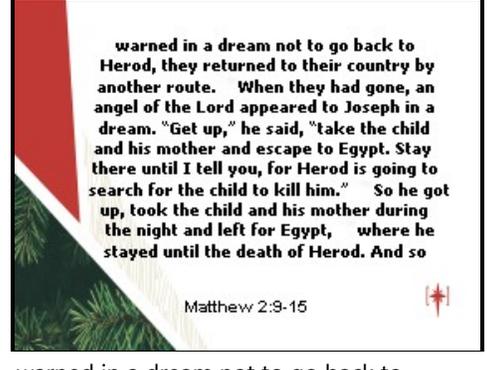
23May God himself, the God of peace,  
sanctify you through and through. May  
your whole spirit, soul and body be kept  
blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus  
Christ.

7. Matthew 2:9-15 (NIV) 1. Matthew 2:9-15



9After they (the Magi) had heard the king,  
they went on their way, and the star they  
had seen when it rose went ahead of them  
until it stopped over the place where the  
child was. 10When they saw the star, they

7. Matthew 2:9-15 (NIV) 2. Matthew 2:9-15



warned in a dream not to go back to  
Herod, they returned to their country by  
another route. 13When they had gone, an  
angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a  
dream. "Get up," he said, "take the child

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8. Luke 2:16-20 (NIV) 1. Luke 2:16-20

So they (the Shepherds) hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

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9. Mary Ponders 1. Page 1

**Mary Ponders**

Who am I? Queen of Heaven?  
Or lost descendant of David's line  
Asked to mother God's own son

How can I raise the Son?  
Through whom the earth found its form  
Whose hand worked and pinched the clay  
Whose lips pressed to earthen nostrils  
Gave us breath

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9. Mary Ponders 2. Page 2

In blood and pain  
He inhales his first breath  
Of this world's rancid air  
Cord, severed by Joseph's knife  
Now Joseph's son

How can I raise the Son of God?  
Through whom the Word is found in Flesh,  
Whose hands - willingly stretched out  
Flesh torn - nailed to my sin  
Gives me life

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Now Joseph's son

9. Mary Ponders 3. Page 3

In blood and pain,  
He exhales his last breath  
Of this world's hostile air  
Cut down by God's own hand  
He is God's son

I can not raise the Son of God  
I will raise a carpenter's son  
I cannot raise the Prince of Peace  
But I have raised a sacrificial lamb

In blood and pain,  
He exhales his last breath  
Of this world's hostile air  
Cut down by God's own hand  
He is God's son

9. Mary Ponders 4. Page 4

Who am I? Mother of God?  
I am Mary  
Mother of a carpenter's son  
Child of God's only son

- Tim Colborne

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I am Mary  
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10. I will live this day : 1. Page 1

I will live this day as if it were Christmas. I will be a giver of gifts and deliver to my enemies the gift of forgiveness; my opponents, tolerance; my friends, a smile; my children, a good example, and every gift will be wrapped with unconditional love.

- Og Mandino, Mission: Success

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11. "Christmas is God 1. Page 1

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- N.T. Wright, For All God's Worth

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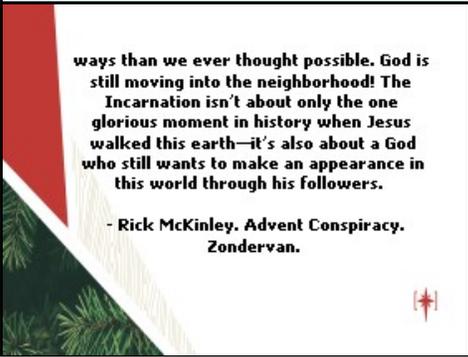
12. "The clear teachin 1. Page 1

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By trusting in his Spirit who lives in us, we can be to a hurting world God's presence and beauty and glory and power in bigger

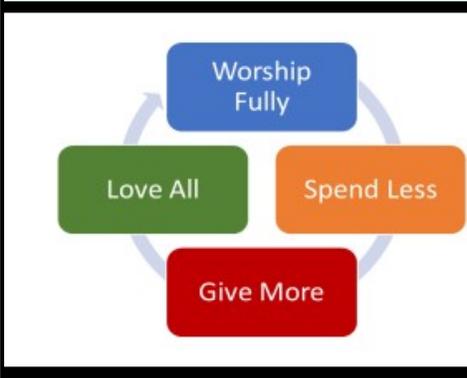
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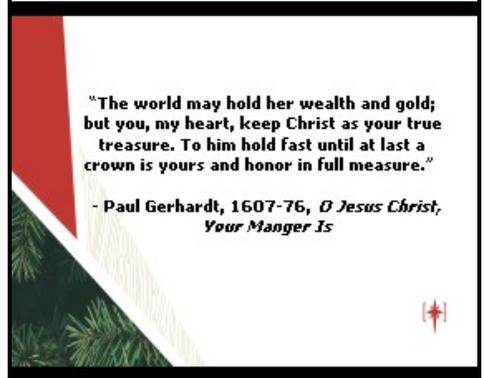


ways than we ever thought possible. God is still moving into the neighborhood! The Incarnation isn't about only the one glorious moment in history when Jesus walked this earth—it's also about a God

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14. "The world may h 1. Page 1



"The world may hold her wealth and gold; but you, my heart, keep Christ as your true treasure. To him hold fast until at last a crown is yours and honor in full measure."