

# SENT BY THE FATHER



***OUR DAILY BREAD***

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### **SOMETHING YOU MUST KNOW:**

God is perfect. He is Holy. We are all sinners. ***For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.***

(Romans 3:23a KJB)

None of us could ever make ourselves perfect or holy to be accepted by God. But God loves us all so much, that He gave His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to go to the cross and pay the penalty for our sins IN FULL, ONCE and FOR ALL. Jesus died and rose again. Because of the Lord Jesus Christ, God can now make us holy and acceptable to Himself. ***For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit.*** (1 Peter 3:18 KJB)

Jesus Christ is our ONLY WAY to God and heaven.

***Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.***

(John 14:6 KJB)

***Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved.*** (Acts 16:31 KJB)

Without Jesus Christ, you can NEVER be accepted by God or go to heaven. When you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior, God makes you His child. When you leave this world, you will spend all of eternity with Him! ***But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.*** (John 1:12 KJB) While you are still here on earth, learn His beautiful Word. Believe it and obey it, so you can enjoy all God has done for you.

***Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom.***

(Colossians 3:16a KJB)

## MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

It's the time of year when Christians REMEMBER the birth of the most important person IN all the universe & FOR all the universe! Who is the most important Person in this universe & for this universe? This announcement from the angel of the Lord to some shepherds out in the fields by night tells us who this MOST IMPORTANT PERSON is:

"And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

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.

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

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

Luke 2:8-11 KJB



Now the Bible does NOT tell us that Jesus was born on December 25th. God has not had the exact date of Jesus' birth recorded in the Bible. Someday if you have time, I suppose it would be interesting for you to do some research to find out WHY people chose this date to celebrate the birth of Jesus; but for today's lesson there are MUCH MORE IMPORTANT things for us to study. In fact, God's Word about the reason for both the birth & death of the Savior, Christ the Lord, is the

MOST IMPORTANT thing we need to know! There are many, many FACTS that God has chosen to tell us concerning the birth of the Savior, which is Christ the Lord! However, for today's lesson, we will look at just ONE of them. What fact is that? It is the FACT that when Jesus Christ came to earth 2000 years ago, He was



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We will search some of the scriptures to find out WHY His Father sent Him.

First of all, let's take just a moment to study that word "SENT." That word means "to send out on a mission. It means to "dispatch". It has the idea behind it that the person "sent away" will be "separated" from the place from which he or she is in order to go to another place. It has the idea that the person will also be "set apart" to accomplish a mission — a special task. The person will leave one place to go to another for a special purpose. As we search the scriptures today, keep the meaning of the word SENT in mind.

Now here we go on OUR mission. Here we go being SENT into our King James Bible - setting this time apart to accomplish our mission or special task which is to learn WHY Jesus was **SENT BY HIS FATHER** down here to earth to be born in a manger 2000 years ago! Here is our 1st scripture:

Galatians 4:4 KJB

"But when the fulness of the time was come,



God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,"

Galatians 4:4 is one of the many, many scriptures that tell us that Jesus was **SENT TO EARTH BY HIS FATHER**. He

was “sent forth” out from heaven - sent away from His Father, God in heaven, to come down to earth! Was Jesus a baby up in heaven? **CERTAINLY NOT!** Jesus is **ETERNAL GOD**, the Son of God, who **ALWAYS EXISTS!** He has **NO BEGINNING & NO END!** However at a certain time in history, God **SENT FORTH** His Son to come to earth to be born a baby— to become a **MAN!**

In order to take upon Himself a human body, Jesus was “made of a woman”. Galatians 4:4 tells us that **VERY IMPORTANT FACT!** That word “**MADE**” means to “come into existence. As **GOD**, Christ had no beginning & no end. But Jesus did have a beginning as a **MAN** on this earth! He began His existence as a **MAN** on this earth by being born of the Virgin Mary. Jesus had **NO EARTHLY FATHER!** **GOD** is Jesus’ Father! God sent forth His Son (or sent away His So) out from heaven down to the world to enter an infant body “specially prepared” by God, His Father. You can read about how God did this awesome miracle to prepare this **PERFECT & HOLY** body for Jesus in Luke 1:26-38 KJB

The instant Jesus Christ entered that tiny new

born infant body on the day of His birth, His Deity—His GOD-HOOD—HIS GLORY— was covered by human flesh. Oh, what an AWESOME MIRACLE God performed to send His Son—God— to come down from heaven to put on a human body and live among men! Jesus Himself as He traveled down from heaven & came into the world said this on the night of this AWESOME MIRACLE: Hebrews 10:5 KJB

“Wherefore when he (Jesus Christ) cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me:”

IMAGINE! No human eyes could ever SEE GOD! Our human eyes could NEVER look at His glory. His glory is TOO BRIGHT to look at! For example, did you ever try to look straight up at the

## SUN?



Unless we have special covering over our eyes, the sun's rays are much too strong for our eyes to look at. Well, the brightness of God's glory is certainly much, much brighter than the sun's rays. None of us could ever look upon God with our human eyes. But that AWESOME MIRACLE when God SENT FORTH HIS SON TO BE MADE OF A WOMAN gave us the way for our human eyes to see God because Jesus IS GOD! The people of that time could see Jesus & touch Him & hear Him. Here is what the apostle

John wrote about Jesus concerning that AWESOME MIRACLE when Jesus lived on earth in a human body:

“And the Word (The Word is name of Jesus Christ, Rev 19:13) was made flesh, and dwelt (lived in a human body) among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth...”

“No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared *him*.” John 1:14,18 KJB

One reason for God SENDING FORTH His Son, was so that mankind could SEE what God is like! And what is God like? HE IS FULL OF GRACE AND TRUTH! God is LOVE! He is KIND & MERCIFUL, SLOW TO ANGER! God is FAITHFUL & ALL POWERFUL! Jesus Christ showed mankind these things about God while He lived on earth! Without Jesus Christ, NO ONE would be able to know God! See John 14:6 KJB Aren't you glad God SENT FORTH HIS SON? God sent Jesus to be GOD WITH US! Matthew 1:23 KJB

“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.”



Jesus Himself many times told His disciples that He

had come from heaven because His Father had sent Him. John 8:42-47 is one part of scripture that tells us what Jesus said about where He came from. Now, before we go on to learn some other important reasons why God SENT HIS SON, let's see the answer to this next question.

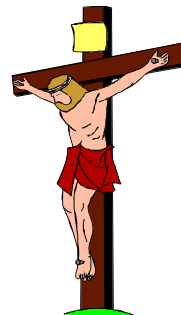
When did God send forth His Son? Though as we noted God did NOT record the exact date of Jesus' birth, he DID tell us something VERY IMPORTANT about WHEN He sent Jesus to earth! Our scripture Galatians 4:4 tells us that also. It says "when the fulness of the time was come". What does "the fulness of time" mean? It means an APPOINTED TIME. It means a time that was set BEFORE. You see, God had ALREADY carefully selected a certain time in human history to SEND FORTH HIS SON to be born! All the circumstances of Jesus' birth were PRE-PLANNED PERFECTLY by God—the time of history, the place of His birth, the woman whom God would choose to be Jesus' earthly mother, the man whom God would choose to be her husband to help care for Jesus while He grew up, the king who would be ruling at that time & many other things as well. And one very important thing that was CAREFULLY PLANNED was the way that Jesus would DIE!

God CAREFULLY PLANNED THE CROSS!  
And that brings us to the very most important reason why God send Jesus to earth to enter a human body.

"And we have seen and do testify  
that the Father sent the Son *to be*  
the Saviour of the world."

1 John 4:14 KJB

God SENT FORTH His Son Jesus out  
from heaven down to earth to be the  
Savior of the world! And about 33





years after His birth, Jesus was NAILED to the CROSS. And while Jesus hung there in agony, God SENT FORTH the sins of THE ENTIRE WORLD to Jesus! And there on the cross, Jesus, in His human body, PAID IN FULL for every single sin of all mankind! And God says the PAYMENT IS COMPLETE! Jesus FINISHED THAT MISSION for which God SENT HIM FORTH FROM HEAVEN! Jesus Christ saved the world from the debt they owed God for all their personal sins! In His perfect & holy body, Jesus took the place of ALL MANKIND on that cross, for those who will accept Him as Savior as well as for those who will not! He took ALL their personal sins away! Read John 1:29!!! Read what God had the apostle John write about His Son, Jesus Christ: 1John2:2 KJB



"And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for *the* sins of the whole world."

And because Jesus came to earth and completed that mission for which God SENT HIM FORTH, any one at all who simply BELIEVES IN JESUS as God their Savior is SAVED from the Lake of Fire & becomes

God's CHILD FOREVER!

"Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent."

John 6:29 KJB

Thank You Father, for SENDING YOUR SON to be God with us, the Savior of the world! Thank You for SENDING YOUR SON to be our way to You & heaven! In Jesus Name, Amen!

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- RI Exit #22; *Left* at split to **Rt. 6 W.**
- Take Killingly St (Rt. 128) Exit; *Right* off Exit.
- Take Killingly to end; *Right* on Manton Ave; cross bridge.
- Turn *Left* at light (CVS on corner), and then bear *Left* at the split. You are now on Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1 mi.
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### From Rt. 146

- Mineral Spring Ave Exit in Providence.
- From **146 N** turn *Left* off Exit; from **146 S** turn *Right*.
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