

SEE The Christmas Day Kingdom Of God

Matthew 13:11

Christmas Day

December 25, 2022

WELCOME & MERRY CHRISTMAS!

INTRO:

Let me ask as we begin... *What does today mean to you?*

Do you (biblically) understand what today is all about?

> Is today about **gifts** **OR** is today about **God**?

> **Christmas** = **Christ/Messiah/God + mas/day**

> **Christmas** = *day that Messiah/God came as a Gift*

What if I told you today is about...

the Gift that IS God & the God who is a Gift?

Emmanuel = **“God with us!”**

PRAYER

VIDEO: *Song - “Light Of The World”*

CONTEXT:

- ~ Today we celebrate Christmas... Christ's Day!
- ~ Today we **SEE** The coming **Kingdom Of God**...



VIDEO: *Song - "Do You Hear What I Hear?"*

~ Today's the day that HOPE became HELP!

BIG IDEA: Christmas Day is ALL about the arrival of Christ and the healing help that comes with His kingdom!

PREVIEW:

1. HOPE
2. HELP
3. HERE

TEXT: [Matthew 13:11a](#)

Jesus answered them: "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven..."

Remember the Christmas Eve passage:

[Matthew 6:33](#)

Jesus said: "Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, & all these things will be added to you..."

I. Christmas Day's **HOPE** (Promise)

O.T. Prophecy:

> [Genesis 3:15](#)

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

> [Isaiah 7:14](#) (Emmanuel)

"Therefore, the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel.

> 300+ fulfilled Christ-specific prophecies!

VIDEO: *"The Birth of Jesus – Luke 1&2"*

II. Christmas Day's **HELP** (Power)

Matthew 1:23

Behold, the virgin shall conceive & bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel"

VIDEO: *"Joseph: at the manger"*

T/S: **VIDEO:** *"SEEK – with narration"*

III. Christmas Day is **HERE!** (Proof)

Luke 2:9-11 (angels to shepherds) (Proof)

And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

Matthew 12:26 (Proof)

"...if it is by the Spirit of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you." – Jesus The Christ!

Matthew 13's parables (Proof)

- > See the eternal fruit of the good seed in good soil...
- > See the Old & New truth unfolding here
- > See the wheat overtaking the weeds
- > See the good fish gathering like a family
- > See the Mustard Seed Messiah in His manger
- > See the Yeast of Christmas filling the world
- > See the Treasure born in plain old Bethlehem
- > See the Precious pearl that is the Prince of Peace

VIDEO: *"Jesus – Light of the World"*

<i>It is finished!</i>	(Proof)
<i>He is risen!</i>	(Proof)
<i>Be My witnesses!</i>	(Proof)
<i>Go make disciples!</i>	(Proof)
<i>Come and see!</i>	(Proof)
<i>Go and tell!</i>	(Proof)
<i>Jesus is LORD!</i>	(Proof)
<i>BE The Church!</i>	(Proof)
<i>Love one another!</i>	(Proof)
<i>Seek & serve</i>	(Proof)
<i>Send & sacrifice</i>	(Proof)
<i>Locally, regionally, globally!</i>	(Proof)
No matter what!	(Proof)

More heart-probing & Christ-mas proving **THOUGHTS:**

Christians (Christ's ones) are to BE the best PROOF and explanation of Christ-mas (Christ's day)... as we show the world the truth in love that is our Lord & Savior!

- > What did you hope to get **FOR** Christ-mas/today?
- > What did you hope to get **FROM** Christ-mas/today?

REVIEW:

The Christmas Day Kingdom of God is all about...

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| 1. Christ's Hope & Promise | FULFILLED |
| 2. Christ's Help & Power | FEREVER |
| 3. Christ's Presence & People | FOROIOUS! |

CLOSE:

I want to leave you with a prayer,
a perspective, and a praise that clarifies,
cries-out, and collectively champions
CHRIST this Christ-mas day
and EVERYday!

PRAYER

VIDEO: *"Silence And Fury"*

WORSHIP: *O Come! O Come! Emmanuel*