THE CHRISTMAS SERVICE SERIES 2008

The Celebration, Adoration and Defense of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, The Christmas Story

Luke 1:49

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"WHY WE WORSHIP HIM"

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Part 4/4

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Salvation, Christmas, Faith, Hope, Love, Worship

Introduction to the Text;

Luke 1:49

"State Contextual Summation and Theme"

Merry Christmas !

Luke 1:49 For He Who is **Mighty** has done **great things** for **me**, And **Holy** is His **Name**.



WHY WE WORSHIP HIM

10.) Because our worship speaks of our gratitude

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OUR WORSHIP SPEAKS OF OUR THANKS

10a.) We're grateful for all that He has done

Upon Israel's Deliverance from The Babylonian Captives Sang

Psa. 126:1-3

When the LORD brought back the captivity of Zion, We were like those who dream. :2 Then our mouth was filled with laughter, And our tongue with singing. Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them." :3 The LORD has done great things for us, And we are glad.

I Think of His Creation and Nature

(though it has been corrupted by the curse of man) It Is Truly Awesome to Behold

Job 37:14

Stand still and consider the wondrous works of God.

Psa. 19:1-4

The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork. **:2** Day unto day utters speech, And night unto night reveals knowledge. **:3** *There is* no speech nor language *Where* their voice is not heard. **:4** Their line has gone out through all the earth, And their words to the end of the world. In them He has set a tabernacle for the sun,



OUR WORSHIP SPEAKS OF OUR THANKS

10b.) We're grateful for all that He has promised

Heb. 6:13

For when **God made a promise** to Abraham, because He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself,

Psa. 84:11 For the LORD God *is* a sun and shield; The LORD will give grace and glory; No good thing will He withhold From those who walk uprightly.

2Cor. 1:20 For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us. (Jesus is the Promises Keeper)

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OUR WORSHIP SPEAKS OF OUR THANKS

10c.) We're grateful for all that He has instore

Psa. 16:11

You will show me the path of life; In Your presence *is* fullness of joy; At Your right hand *are* pleasures forevermore.

1Cor. 2:9

But as it is written: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him."

Rev. 4:3-11

And He who sat there was like a jasper and a sardius stone in appearance; and *there was* a rainbow around the throne, in appearance like an emerald....

...:5 And from the throne proceeded lightnings, thunderings, and voices. Seven lamps of fire were burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God. :6 Before the throne *there was* a sea of glass, like crystal. And in the midst of the throne, and around the throne, were four living creatures full of eyes in front and in back., ...:8 *The* four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within. And they do not rest day or night, saying: "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Who was and is and is to come!" :9 Whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, who lives forever and ever, :10 the twenty-four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne, saying: :11 "You are worthy, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, And by Your will they exist and were created."

Rev. 21:1-7

Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. :2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. :3 And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them *and be* their God. :4 And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away." :5 ¶ Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful." :6 ¶ And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts. :7 He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son.



WHY WE WORSHIP HIM

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OUR WORSHIP SPEAKS OF OUR LOVE

11a.) We love Him because of His love for us

The Longer You Spend Time With Someone the greater the probability that you'll get the know them, and that can lead to love.

1John 4:18-19

There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love. **:19 We love Him because He first loved us.**

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OUR WORSHIP SPEAKS OF OUR LOVE

11b.) We love Him because of His care of us

His Desire to Heal Us and to Mend Us

Matt. 6:25-26

"Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? **:26** Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? Matt. 9:36 But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd.



OUR WORSHIP SPEAKS OF OUR LOVE

11c.) We love Him because of His desire to be with us

Jer. 31:3 ..."Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; Therefore with lovingkindness I have drawn you.

The Christmas Message is a Message of Great Desiree

Matt. 2:9-11

When the Wisemen departed; behold, the star which they had seen 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 **exceedingly great joy**. **:11** And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and **fell down** and **worshiped** Him.

rejoiced χαίρω chairo, khah´-ee-ro;

to be "cheer"ful, a deep, calm, a sense of wellbeing-off. great gladness of heart and mind

Exceedingly σφόδρα sphodra, sfod ´-rah;

in a high degree, extreme, to excessive

great megas, meg'-as;

that which is in a large degree, a loud and full volume, mighty, bold, extravagant

The Wise Men Understood Something That We To Often Miss

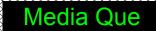
They Understood The Lord's Desire – To Be With Us !



WHY WE WORSHIP HIM

12.) Because our worship speaks of our joy

Gal. 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,



OUR WORSHIP SPEAKS OF OUR JOY

12a.) The joy He gives is **not of this world**

John 15:11

"These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and *that* your joy may be full.

Acts 20:24

But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.



OUR WORSHIP SPEAKS OF OUR JOY

12b.) The joy He gives is bigger than life

Neh. 8:10

Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat, drink the sweet, and send portions to those for whom nothing is prepared; for *this* day *is* holy to our Lord. Do not sorrow, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

Matt. 25:21

His lord said to him, "Well *done*, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into **the joy of your lord**.'



OUR WORSHIP SPEAKS OF OUR JOY

12c.) The joy He gives is never going to end

Luke 15:10

Likewise, I say to you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

John 16:22

Therefore you now have sorrow; but I will see you again and your heart will rejoice, and your joy no one will take from you.

Acts 13:52

And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

joy χαρά chara, *khar-ah´;* a deep cheerfulness, a firm and calm delight. the fullness

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