



The Christmas Story, Pt. 1
Foretold of Old
By Louie Marsh, 12-1-2019

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² But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days. Micah 5:2 (ESV)

¹ When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. Hosea 11:1 (ESV)

2) Christmas is really about God _____.

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. ⁴ In him was life, and the life was the light of men...⁹ The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. ¹¹ He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him... John 1:1-4; 9-11 (ESV)

- **This is a _____ the Angels didn't understand.**

¹² It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look. 1 Peter 1:12 (ESV)

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- **Christ alone gives us what we need – _____**

¹⁷ For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. John 1:17 (ESV)

- **Truth without grace _____.**
- **Grace without truth = spiritual/moral _____.**

3) This act of God requires that everyone _____

¹² But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, ¹³ who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. John 1:12-13 (ESV)



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