

12.24.16

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*“Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good news of great joy, which shall be for all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.” Luke 2:10-11 KJV*

## GOOD NEWS OF GREAT JOY IS . . .

## 1. Knowing \_\_\_\_\_

*Jesus: “This is why I was born and came into the world: to tell people the truth.” John 18:37 NCV*

*No one has ever seen God. The only One, who is the same as God . . . has made him known. John 1:18 NIV*

*Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. John 14:9 NIV*

## 2. Being \_\_\_\_\_

*For we do not have a High Priest who is unable to sympathize and understand our weaknesses and temptations, but One who has been tempted [knowing exactly how it feels to be human] in every respect as we are, yet without [committing any] sin. Hebrews 4:15 AMP*

## 3. Being \_\_\_\_\_ unconditionally

*God so loved the world that he gave his only Son . . . John 3:16 NIV*

*God showed how much he loved us by sending his only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through Him. This is real love . . . that God sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins. 1 John 4:9-10 NLT*

*May you be able to feel and understand . . . how long, how wide, how deep, and how high God’s love really is; and to experience this love for yourselves. Ephesians 3:18-19 TLB*

## 4. Being \_\_\_\_\_

*Yes, all have sinned; all fall short of God’s glorious ideal; yet now God declares us “not guilty” of offending him if we trust in Jesus Christ, who in his kindness freely takes away our sins. Romans 3:23-24 TLB*

*In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God’s grace that he lavished on us. Ephesians 1:7-8 NIV*

## 5. Being \_\_\_\_\_

*I can do all things [which He has called me to do] through Him who strengthens and empowers me [to fulfill His purpose – I am self-sufficient in Christ’s sufficiency; I am ready for anything and equal to anything through Him who infuses me with inner strength and confident peace.] Philippians 4:13 AMP*

*I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13 NLT*