



# WHAT DOES CHRISTMAS SHOW US ABOUT THE WORLD?

Luke 1:78-79, Matthew 4:15-16, Psalm 107

## A. In This World, There Are Lots of Reactions to Christmas

- I will pause from the frantic pace and adjust my reaction to Christmas.

## B. The World Tries to Find Its Way in the Dark, Until Light Came

(Acts 17:26-28, Luke 1:78b-79a, Matthew 4:15-16a, 2 Peter 1:16-19)

- I will stop trying to figure out God on my own, but will trust His Word.

## C. The World is Living Under the Shadow of Death, at Its Gates

(Luke 1:79b, Matthew 4:16b, Psalm 23:4, Psalm 107, Hebrews 2:14-15)

- Though I face physical death, I will not fear and instead trust Jesus.

## D. The World is Yearning to Be Set Free from Its Curse ...

### Whether It Knows It or Not

(Romans 8:19-25, Galatians 4:3-7, 5:1)

- I will balance both a joy of this life and yearning for the next.

## E. God Loves This World so Much, He Sent Us His Son

(John 3:16, Romans 5:6-10)

- I will celebrate the love God has for a broken world and a broken me.

December		
3	The Kingdom Has Some Weeds	Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
10	What Does Christmas Show Us about the Heart of God? With Laszlo Onody	Matthew 11:27-30
17	What Does Christmas Show Us about the World?	Luke 1, Matthew 4:15-16, Psalm 107
24	What Does Christmas Show Us about the Person of Jesus Christ?	
31	What Does Christmas Show Us about Meaningful Worship?	
January		
7	The Kingdom is Subtle but Effective	Matthew 13:31-33
14	What is Your Prized Treasure?	Matthew 13:44-52
21	No Honor for the Hometown Hero Live for God, No Matter the Reaction	Matthew 13:53-14:12
28	The First Hunger Initiative	Matthew 14:13-21
February		
4	Get Out of Your Boat	Matthew 14:22-36
11	God's Word / Man's Traditions	Matthew 15:1-9
18	What Proceeds from Your Heart?	Matthew 15:10-20
25	Eager for Leftovers	Matthew 15:21-28

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