

Today's Theme:

“Decorating & Getting Ready For Christmas”

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Series: “Searching For Christmas”
Part 2

Getting Ready Is Half The Fun

1. Christmas Decorations Came From _____.

1). Christmas Trees & Lights...Mistletoe & Holly-
Mary & Joseph- Had to Get Ready

1. Mary Hears She'll _____ The Savior- Get Ready!

Luke 1:30“Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. 31 You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus...38 “I am the Lord’s servant,” Mary answered. “May your word to me be fulfilled.” Then the angel left her.

2. Joseph Learns He'll Be _____ - Get Ready!

Matt. 1:18 ...His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit. 19 Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly. 20 But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit...23 “The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel” (which means “God with us”). 24 When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him...25 But he did not consummate their marriage until she gave birth to a son...

1 Pet.5:6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.

What’s God Getting You Ready For... This Christmas?

1. To _____ Your Family- Like Joseph & Mary.
 - 1). Decorate The House- Creates _____!
 - 2). Buy & Wrap Gifts- Shows _____ & Respect.
 - 3). Visit & Host Relatives- Hospitality & _____.
 - 4). Cook Some Big Dinners- _____!
 - 5). Make Special Christmas Treats- _____!
 - 6). Sing Christmas Carols- _____!
 - 7). Attend Christmas Services & Events- _____ Jesus!
 - 8). Miss Those Not With You- _____ Each Other.
 - 9). Bury The Hatchet- Get _____ With God & Others.

2. This is how you can _____ the nations...your neighbors, neighborhood! Matt 28:19-20

3. To Prepare Your _____ To Welcome Jesus!

Luke 1: 46 And Mary said: “My soul exalts the Lord, 47 And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. 48 “For He has had regard for the humble state of His bond slave; For behold, from this time on all generations will count me blessed. 49 “For the Mighty One has done great things for me; And holy is His name. 50 “And His mercy is upon generation after generation toward those who fear Him. 51 “He has done mighty deeds with His arm; He has scattered those who were proud in the thoughts of their heart. 52 “He has brought down rulers from their thrones, And has exalted those who were humble.

Rev. 3:20 “Behold, I stand at the door and knock...

Something For Under Your Tree

1. _____: Look For a Gift That Reminds Her Of Your Love For Her.
2. _____: Find A Gift That Connects With One Of His Favorite Hobbies Or Things To Do.