

Teaching Letter



THE TRUE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS / TEACHING BY REV. GAYLE CLAXTON

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John 12:24



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Christmas is soon approaching and it is really sad how each year, the need to push the commercial side of Christmas gets earlier and more aggressive. As we so very well know, the birth of a Saviour was not a commercial happening to make money or to start a new fad but it was in fact the divine plan of a Father who loved us to bring us a gift of eternity! This gift of the birth of Jesus is still a gift that is worth talking about, but more than just talking about it, it is a gift that must still be shared with thousands of people so that they too can experience the true meaning of Christmas.

The very fact that Jesus was born and His life was lived with the focus to die for you and me is almost incomprehensible and yet this was the plan of the Father for a destiny of hope for us and something to be celebrated with gratitude. Jesus understood the principle that unless a seed dies it cannot produce fruit which John speaks about in John 12:24.

Jesus with His birth was destined to die – in order that you and I can experience eternity in heaven. It is interesting that many people want to go to heaven, but no one wants to die! What do I mean by that? Yes we will all die but where is eternity? The Bible says for me to live is Christ, and to die is gain (Philippians 1:21). This means my life must reflect Christ in all that I do, say or act! To display the character of Jesus in all things – this means we

display the nature and the hope of an eternity with Him as Saviour! Actually, simply said, it is that we display the meaning of Christmas every day. The birth of a Saviour, who lived to die for all gives us the “present” of eternal life! Wow what a gift! More than that you and I have the privilege of taking and sharing that gift daily in every situation.

The true meaning of christmas

There is only one concern that I want to mention as we look into our own walk with Jesus and that is that we are living for Him and His kingdom in all that we do. We often become very “safety” conscious with the Gospel. Let me explain what I mean. The Gospel is not a message of safety – it is a message of life and the call of God. If we only consider taking the message of Christmas and the cross into places

of safety then we will not reach the people who are at the moment in the places we do not consider safe! Some people need to be reached in a place of danger. We need to reach into the “dangerous” places of darkness to reach the lost and share this wonderful gift of Christmas with them. Ephesians 6 tells us to use the whole armour of God. Why? Because where the Gospel needs to go is not “safety” first but it is reaching into a world with the full protection of God. We need to go with the message of the Lion of Judah pointing them to

the Lamb of God our eternal salvation. Led by the Lion to come to the Lamb!



Together with Suzette and the entire team we wish you a blessed Christmas.

Together for the harvest!

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