

3 Lessons From “Things You May Have Never Heard From the Christmas Story”

- **Luke 1:26-38 & Luke 2:1-7**

LESSON 1 – Never Forget What God Has Done

- **Luke 2:19** NKJV... But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.
- **Revelations 12:11** NKJV ...And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony
 - Look what the Lord has done!
 - Don't you dare forget your blessings small and great.
 - “Count your blessings, name them one by one, count your very blessings, see what God has done.”
 - He's a good God, He's a good God, He's a good God.
 - We know because Mary never forgot.

LESSON 2 – God Always Knows What He's Doing

- **Luke 2:1-7** ... And it came to pass in those days that a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. This census first took place while Quirinius was governing Syria. So all went to be registered, everyone to his own city. Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, 5 to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child. So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.
 - God Gets the Whole World Moving
 - When It's Inconvenient ... God Knows What He is Doing

Shuts and Opens Doors

- **Matthew 21:42** NKJV ... Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures: The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone.
- **Exodus 33:21-22** NKJV ... And the LORD said, “Here is a place by Me, and you shall stand on the rock. So it shall be, while My glory passes by, that I will put you in the cleft of the rock, and will cover you with My hand while I pass by.
- **John 1:29** NKJV ... The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!
- **Revelations 3:7** NKJV ... These things says He who is holy, He who is true, “He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens”:
 - He sees the end from the beginning.
 - He is working all things together for your good.
 - Even the things that you don't understand.
 - Keep a good attitude even when the door closes.
 - The right door will open for you to fulfill your destiny

LESSON 3 – It All Starts with Someone Who Says “Yes” to God

- **Matthew 13:54-57** NKJV ... When He had come to His own country, He taught them in their synagogue, so that they were astonished and said, “Where did this Man get this wisdom and these mighty works? Is this not the carpenter's son? Is not His mother called Mary? And His brothers James, Joses, Simon, and Judas? And His sisters, are they not all with us? Where then did this Man get all these things?” So they were offended at Him.
- **John 7:5** NKJV ... For even His brothers did not believe in Him.
- **Acts 16:31** NKJV “Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.”
- **John 1:31** NKJV ... And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS.

WHAT CHRISTMAS IS REALLY ALL ABOUT... SAYING YES!