

THE SALVATION SPECTRUM

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Luke 2:8-11 KJV, “**4** And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) **5** To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. **6** And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. **7** And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. **8** And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. **9** And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. **10** And the angel said unto them, ‘Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. **11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.** **12** And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. **13** And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, **14** Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.”

PRAISE OUR LORD GOD ALMIGHTY!!! FOR UNTO US OUR SAVIOR, CHRIST THE LORD, IS BORN IN THE CITY OF DAVID!!! As we prepare for this **Christmas Season**, we believe that **Jesus is the reason for the season!!!** We celebrate the greatest gift of all time, God’s only Begotten Son, Jesus Christ. In the background of this story, little did Caesar Augustus know that his census was orchestrated by our one and only Sovereign God, to fulfill the prophecy of the Messiah’s birth in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2). Because of this, Joseph and Mary left Nazareth and traveled to Bethlehem so they could be counted, for tax purposes, as being from the lineage of King David.

But there was no room for them at the inn; therefore, Jesus entered the world as a lowly baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and was laid in a manger, which is a feeding trough for animals. This is the same place where the ewes (female lambs) who were about to give birth to the Passover lambs were brought. After the lamb’s birth, the priestly shepherds would wrap the lambs in cloth and lay them in a manger lined with soft hay to prevent them from hurting themselves; because the Passover lambs had to be unblemished with no bruise or broken bones. Theologian, William Barclay wrote, “*That there was no room in the inn was symbolic of what was to happen to Jesus. The only place where there was room for him was on a cross.*” WOW!!! It’s heart breaking to see that creation made no room for its Creator!!! Lord help us!!!

And in the midst of all this, the Lord’s angels, His Heavenly Hosts, bring good tidings of great joy. May we choose to join them in praising and saying, “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men!!!”

Heavenly Father, as we prepare for this **Christmas season**, may we purpose in our hearts **to celebrate the greatest gift of all time: the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ**; may we make room in our lives for Him; may we shout with joy that, “**Jesus is the reason for this season**,” and may we praise You by declaring, “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men,” in Jesus’ Holy

Name we pray 🙏❤️✝️





Brenda Fonseca - 12/12
Bernardo (Bubba) Ruiz, Jr. - 12/20



Join us for
Sunday Service at 10am
as we Decree & Declare
for the upcoming
New Year of 2024



Church Services:

Sundays @ 10:00AM
3203 Coconino Dr.
San Antonio, Tx 78211

Hour of Prayer:

Every Tuesday @ 7:00PM
Send a private message to the
[JCRS-SATX FB Page](#) or
message Pastor Cindy 210-838-3668
or any church member,
or email the Church direct:
JCRS.SATX@gmail.com

Bible Study:

Wednesdays @ 6:30PM
Live on:
[JCRS-SATX FB Page](#)

Hanukkah, aka, The Festival of Lights, is celebrated by our Jewish brothers & sisters. This year, Hanukkah begins at sundown on Thursday, December 7th and ends on the evening of Friday, December 15th.

Hanukkah means "dedication." In the 2nd Century, Israel was ruled by Seleucids (Syrian-Greeks) who tried to implement Greek culture instead of the Jewish beliefs and observances in God. But a small remnant of faithful, but poorly armed Jews, led by Judah the Maccabee, defeated one of the mightiest armies on earth, at that time. Through God's help, they were able to drive out the Greeks from their land, reclaim the Holy Temple in Jerusalem, and rededicate it to God.

There was only one single cruse of olive oil left, which had not been contaminated by the Greeks, which was used to light the menorah. Miraculously it stayed lit for eight days; until new oil could be prepared, under the conditions of their ritual purity. This miracle of the one single cruse of oil that kept the menorah lit for eight days is celebrated as **Hanukkah, The Festival of Lights**.

Hanukkah restores and renews the light of hope, the spirit of giving thanks, and the love of Father God into the life and home of our Jewish brethren. The tradition of lighting the menorah over the eight days of **Hanukkah** represents a beautiful picture of how the Messiah truly lights every part of our souls and spirits, every day of our lives. God's mercies are new each day, and we can be blessed by seeing and experiencing His light being manifested throughout the **Festival of Lights**! Through this eight day celebration of lighting the menorah candles, we clearly see how God provides His miracle of light in the midst of trials and darkness. **Praise Adonai!!!**

In these days of war for our Jewish brothers and sisters, we continue to pray for the peace of Jerusalem as we are commanded to in Scripture. We also plead Psalm 91 prayer of protection over Israel; for all of the Israeli Defense Force (IDF) soldiers to be protected, surrounded and guided by their Mighty Arch Angels; for all of the hostages to be returned safe and sound; and for Israel to have victory over her enemies, in Jesus' Mighty Name we pray 🙏❤️✝️

