

# Don't Miss Christmas!

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## **BUSYNESS (The Innkeeper)**

**Luke 2:7** "So Mary gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn."

## **FAMILIARITY (The Religious Leaders)**

**Matthew 2:4-5** "King Herod called a meeting of all the leading priests and teachers of the law and asked them where the Christ would be born. They answered, 'In the town of Bethlehem in Judea. The prophet wrote about this in the Scriptures.'"

**Ephesians 4:18** (CEV) "Their minds are in the dark, and they are stubborn so they have missed out on the life that comes from God."

## **FEAR (King Herod)**

**1 Timothy 6:21** "Some people have missed the most important thing in life – they don't know God!"

- **STOP: filling my life with less IMPORTANT THINGS.**

**Psalms 39:6b** "All man's busy rushing ends in nothing. He heaps up riches for someone else to spend."

**Psalms 46:10** "Be still and know that I am God."

**Proverbs 10:27** "Reverence for God adds hours to each day."

- **LOOK: at why JESUS CAME**

**Matthew 2:8a** "Go and make a careful search for the child."

**Jeremiah 29:13** "You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."

**• LISTEN: to the GOOD NEWS of Christmas!**

**Luke 2:10-11** "The angel said, 'Fear not; I bring you good news of great joy! ... a Savior has been born for you - he is Christ the Lord!'"

**John 10:10** Jesus said, 'I have come so that you may have life, and have it to the fullest!'"

**John 3:17** "For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn it, **but to save the world through him.**"

**STOP!**

**1 Peter 2:24 (NCV)** "Christ carried the burden of our sins on the cross so that we would STOP living for sin and START living for what is right. His wounds heal us."

**LOOK!**

**Isaiah 45:22 (NLT)** "Let all the world LOOK to me for salvation! For I am God and there is no other!"

**LISTEN!**

**2 Corinthians 6:2 (TEV)** Hear what God says: "When the time came for me to show you favor, I heard you; **when the day arrived for me to save you, I helped you.**" Listen! This is the hour to receive God's favor; TODAY is the day to be saved!