



Christmas...2005

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Nearly 2000 years ago, an event occurred that changed history. Indisputably, it transformed all of history, affecting nations, cultures, government and every life it touches. And it will continue to do so to the very end of time. The unheralded event was the birth of a child in a remote part of the world, in a stable, to an unwed mother.

The Reaction

That event led to an immediate reaction amongst those who acknowledged it's occurrence. Some witnessed to it's significance with wonder and worship. Others, with fear and defiance. For those who feared this event, the decision to take the life of every male child under the age of two in the city in which he was thought to be born...was justified.

When the child became a man, His Words and life led to open hostility amongst those with a vested interest in the status quo. Within 3 years...His life was taken.

The Ensuing Revolution

What followed His death was His resurrection from the dead, exhilarating appearances before many, and a renewed hope in the minds and hearts of those who knew Him and those who came to know Him. It was the hope of eternal life, but not just the previous longing for meaning and the prospect of life beyond the grave. It was a confident belief, a life giving, energized hope, an 'out-of-the-box' way of thinking that led men and women to live and act differently. It became infectious, joyous, with an expectation and vitality. There was an assurance to all who believed in what He taught and by His presence amongst them, that transformed men's actions, men's thinking, and the motives of men's hearts.

The Transformation Continues

The entrance of this child into the world transformed the lives of men and women, families and children, and as a result...history itself. And it continues to do so today wherever His story is told and people of all nationalities come to Him in faith.

Down through the ensuing centuries it has grown, in spite of opposition from those who refuse to believe that His life--or any life--is sourced in anything other than time, chance and primordial soup. The debate about His origin, teachings and authority continues, around the world, affecting the decisions of world leaders and governments, from continent to continent, family to family, and person to person.

The Opposition Continues

So great is that debate upon the earth that many in America prefer to deny the use of His Name in our schools, our courts, our legislatures, public events and even our public discourse. They would even seek to deny our military chaplains use of His Name as they perform their duties amongst our troops. They would go so far as to remove any symbol or reminder of His existence from our children's text books, the air waves, national monuments, currency, national motto, pledge of allegiance, courts and commercial life.

Their ultimate goal is to remove him from our conscience, our laws, and our memory. So what is the answer and where is it found?

The Message...and Messenger Remains

As long as the earth spins and the sun rises and falls, the hope and meaning that the heart was created to seek and with which it can be satisfied, will only be found as individual persons discover and enter in to a heart relationship with the One who was born on that day in that stable. It is the responsibility and calling of Christians of every generation to preserve and protect both His Name and His Message and our right to speak them both freely.

May your heart be quietly touched, transformed, and filled with His Spirit this Christmas season and throughout the coming year. And may His enduring love for you and all mankind, lift your heart into His presence and fill you with great joy. For it is the "joy of the LORD" that "is your strength" and in Him is our salvation. Merry Christmas!

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