

Advent



## God Speaks to People Through Prophets

“In the past He humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the future He will honor Galilee of the Gentiles, by the way of the sea, along the Jordan – The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.

For to us a child is born. . .”

- Isaiah 9:1 - 2,6

“In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.”

- Hebrews 1:1 -

## Angel Speaks to Zechariah

“But the angel said to him: ‘Do not be afraid, Zechariah; your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you are to give him the name John. . . And he will go on before the Lord, in the spirit and power of Elijah. . . to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.’”

- Luke 1:13 - 17

# Angel Speaks to Zechariah

- Spirit of Elijah
  - Voice in Desert
- Malachi 4:5 – 6 / Matthew 11:14  
- Isaiah 40:1 - 11

## Angel Speaks to Mary

“But the angel said to her, ‘Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end.’”

- Luke 1:30 - 33

# Angel Speaks to Mary

- Virgin Bear a Son
- Son of God
- Rule on David's Throne

- Isaiah 7:14

- Psalm 2:7

- Isaiah 9:6 - 7

## Angel Speaks to Joseph

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- Matthew 1:20 -

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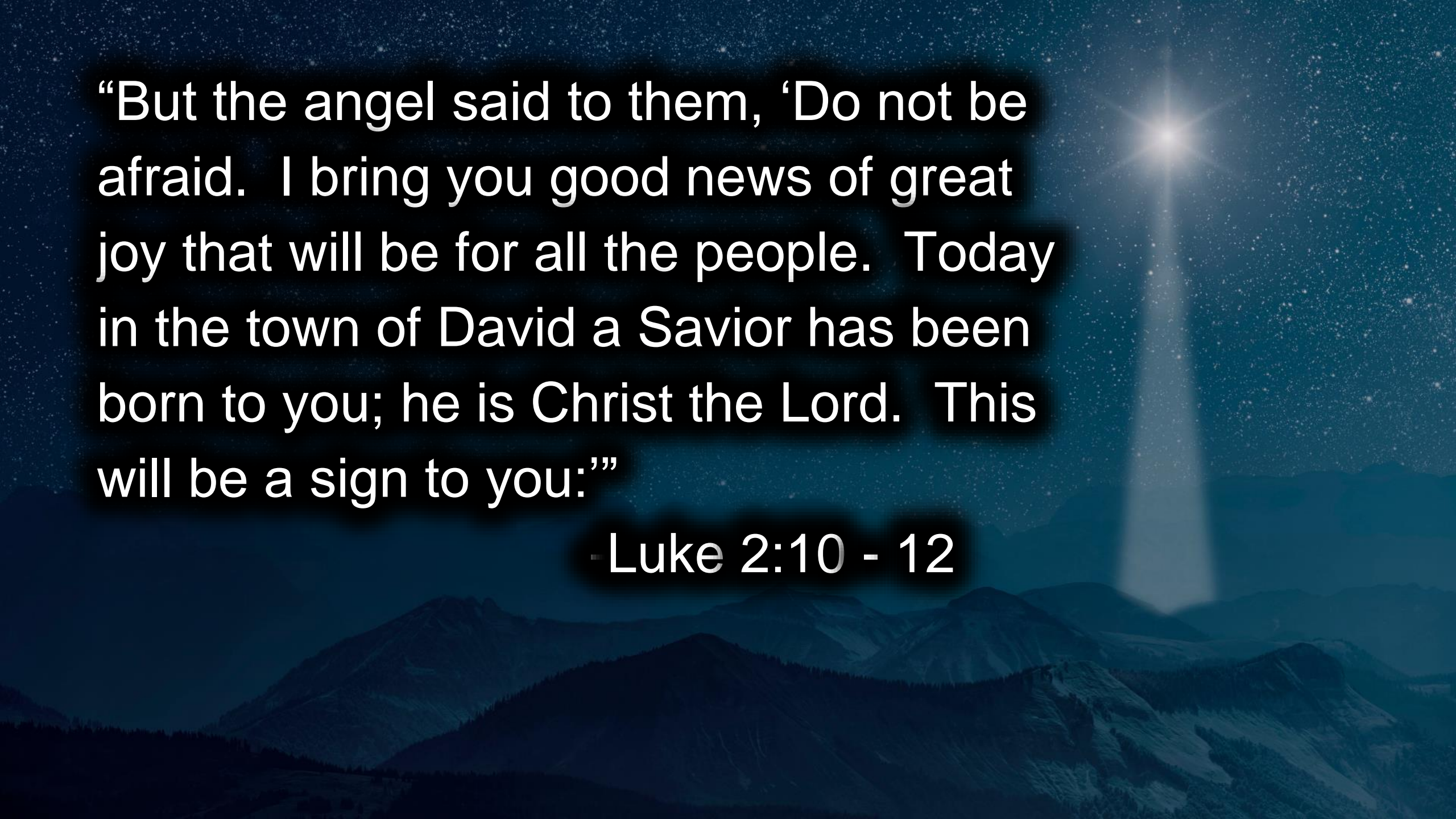
- Promise to Abraham - Genesis 22:18
- Line of David - Isaiah 9:7
- Save From Sins - Isaiah 53:4 - 6

# When God Speaks to You

- Don't Be Afraid
- Recognize, Remember and Believe
- Let Hope Turn to Joy

# Be Saved From Your Sins

- God Desires It
  - We Need It
  - You Can Have It
- John 3:16
  - Romans 5:8
  - Romans 10:9

A night sky with a bright star in the upper right, casting a vertical beam of light down towards a mountain range. The mountains are silhouetted against the dark sky, and the overall scene is in shades of blue and black.

“But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you:’”

- Luke 2:10 - 12