# **DON'T MISS CHRISTMAS!**

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## WHY PEOPLE OFTEN MISS CHRISTMAS

•	(The Innkeeper)	
	" there was <u>no room</u> for them in the inn." Luke 2:7	
•	(The Religious Leaders)	
	"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 [Micah] wrote about this in the Scriptures" Matthew 2:4-5	
	"Their minds are in the dark, and they are stubborn so they have missed out on the life that comes from God."  Ephesians 4:18	
•	(King Herod)	
	"When King Herod heard about this news, he was very disturbed and worried, and so was everyone else in Jerusalem." Matthew 2:3	
	"Some people have missed the most important thing in life—they don't know God!" 1 Timothy 6:21 (LB	
	HOW TO NOT MISS CHRIST THIS CHRISTMAS:	
•	STOP:	
	"All man's <u>busy rushing</u> ends in nothing. He heaps up riches for someone else to spend." Psalm 39:6	
	"Be still and know that I am God!" Psalm 46:10	
	"Reverence for God adds hours to each day!" Proverbs 10:27	

• LOOK:		
"Go and make a <u>careful search</u> for	r the child."	
	Matthew 2:8	
od says: "You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all		
<u>your heart</u> ."	Jeremiah 29:13	
• LISTEN:		
"The angel said, 'FEAR NOT, I bri	ng you <u>good news</u> of great joy!	
A Savior has been born for yo	<u>u</u> —he is Christ the Lord.'"	
	Luke 2:10-11	
Jesus said: "I have come so that y	you may have <u>life</u> , and have it to	
the <u>fullest</u> !"	John 10:10	
"For God did not send his Son int	o the world to condemn it, but to	
save the world through him."		

#### FOR A NEW LIFE AT CHRISTMAS . . .

#### STOP!

"Christ carried the burden of our sins on the cross so that we could STOP living for sin and START living for what is right. His wounds heal us."

1 Peter 2:24 (NCV)

## LOOK!

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

## LISTEN!

"<u>LISTEN</u> to what God says: THIS is the hour to receive God's favor! TODAY is the day to be saved!" 2 Corinthians 6:2

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