

"REAL CHRISTMAS"
The Purpose of Christmas - Part 2

Introduction:

And she gave birth to her first-born son; and she wrapped Him in clothes, laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. Luke 2:7 (NASB)

*"For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us;... and his name will be called Wonderful Counselor, **Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.**"* Isaiah 9:6 (NASB)

"MIGHTY"
SEE THE _____ IN THE MANGER

"...able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine."
Ephesians 3:20 (NIV)

"God will strengthen you with his own great power so that you will not give up when troubles come, but you will be patient." Colossians 1:11 (NCV)

This Christmas I need strength to _____

GOD
SEE THE _____ IN THE MANGER

"Who is like You—majestic in holiness, awesome in glory, working wonders?" Exodus 15:11 (NIV)

"The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands." Psalm 19:1 (NIV)

"The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word." Hebrews 1:3 (NIV)

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This Christmas I need a bigger perspective on

ETERNAL
SEE THE _____ IN THE MANGER

"For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" in Christ." 2 Corinthians 1:20 (NIV)

"And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God... but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope." Romans 5:2-4 (NIV)

This Christmas I need to trust that

FATHER
SEE THE _____ IN THE MANGER

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16 (NIV)

"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8:38-39 (NIV)

This Christmas I need love for

Closing: