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And in His name, all oppression shall cease...

THE SHEPHERD

a story of the first Christmas

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Mary's Christmas





The Gospel of **Luke**

1:26-38

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1) Rejoice over God's favor



1) Rejoice over God's favor

- In His choice

- Ephesians 1:3-10 (page 1078)

- Ephesians 2:1-5 (page 1079)



God is Sovereign
& Man is Responsible

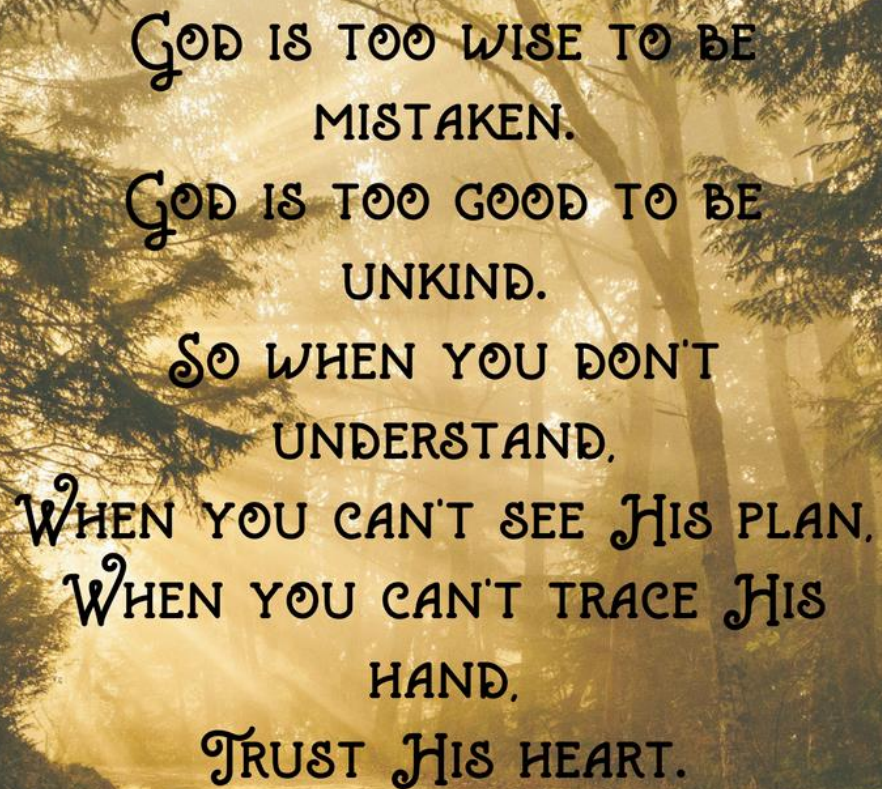


1) Rejoice over God's favor

- In His choice
- In His presence







GOD IS TOO WISE TO BE
MISTAKEN.
GOD IS TOO GOOD TO BE
UNKIND.
SO WHEN YOU DON'T
UNDERSTAND,
WHEN YOU CAN'T SEE HIS PLAN,
WHEN YOU CAN'T TRACE HIS
HAND,
TRUST HIS HEART.

~ BABBIE MASON



1) Rejoice over God's favor

2) Remember God's power



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- In the midst of fear



John 3:16-17

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”



2) Remember God's power

- In the midst of fear
- In the midst of impossibility



Matthew 19:26

“With God all things are possible”(!)



1) Rejoice over God's favor

2) Remember God's power

3) Replicate Mary's heart



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- In position (“I am the servant of the Lord”)
- In submission (“let it be to me”)



royalty is
MY IDENTITY.
servanthood is
MY ASSIGNMENT.
intimacy with god
IS MY LIFE
source.



δουλος

**BOND SLAVE
OF
JESUS CHRIST**



Mary's Christmas



A diamond is just a piece of charcoal
that handled stress exceptionally well.





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