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THIS LITTLE CHILD

The Christmas Song "This Little Child" By Scott Wesley Brown is over 30 years old and still speaks today. Here are some of the lyrics.

> Who would of tho't that long ago So very far away A little child would be born And in a manger laid And who would have the't this little child Was born the King of kings The Son of just a carpenter. For whom the angels sing And who would have tho't that as He grew And with other children played This child with whom they laughed and sang Would die for them some day And who would have tho't this little child Could make a blind man see Feed the hungry make rich the poor And set the sinner free Oh who would have tho't this little child Was who the prophets said Would take away the sins of man And rise up from the dead

The rest of the song points to our need for a King and Savior. And Jesus, This Little Child we celebrate at Christmas, is that Savior. He also, is the King of Kings and will come back to reign on earth someday. Do we believe this as truth? It has amazing meaning to us, as we celebrate Christmas, we should keep in mind the One we are celebrating also, died for us to give us eternal life and a purpose in this one.

John 12:27-28 reads this way,

27 "Now my soul is greatly distressed. And what should I say? 'Father, deliver me from this hour'? No, but for this very reason I have come to this hour. 28 Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again."

Can you imagine how the disciples were processing all of this new information? They had been with Him for over 3 years and now He is talking nonsense. The greatest breakthrough of all was when they all realized that He is the King of Kings and came to save them and us! Oh! I hope you believe! This Little Child was who the prophets said He was, and He is coming again.

Christmas is such a great time to celebrate the arrival of a baby in Bethlehem and we should celebrate it with Joy! When the Angels announced His birth to the shepherds in the fields, they did so with a majestic show of power and excitement. It was such a demonstration of power that the shepherds were scared! But when they calmed down, they made their way to see This Little Child lying in a manger.

Do you believe you are blessed to know This Little Child is the One the prophets said would be coming? And that He is the One who gave you eternal life?

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