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Message Series: A Journey To Christmas

Today's Message: The Angel's Announcement: Terrifying Joy

Luke 2:10, 11 "And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold I bring good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

1. "Unto _____"

Zephaniah 3:16, 17 "On that day the announcement to Jerusalem will be, "Cheer up, Zion! Don't be afraid. For the Lord your God is living among you. He is a mighty savior. He will take delight in you with gladness. With His love, He will calm all your fears. He will rejoice over you with joyful songs."

Truth: God makes so much of us; ALL that He does for us—But the goal is to _____ myself, to see His Glory, to savor all that God is, to _____ Jesus Christ.

⇒ **What Is The Chief End of Man?** - "to _____ God and to enjoy Him forever."

John 17:24 "Father, I want those You have given Me to be with Me where I am, and to see My glory, the glory You have given Me because You loved Me before the creation of the world."

2. "A _____"

1 Timothy 1:15, 16 "This is a trustworthy saying and everyone should accept it: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. - and I am the worst of them all. But God had mercy on me so that Christ Jesus could use me as a prime example of His great patience with even the worst sinners. Then others will realize that they too, can believe in Him and receive eternal life."

* "People want the blessings of God, but they can't stand something that _____ thru to the heart of the matter." ~Chambers

Matthew 10:34 "I did not come to bring peace but a sword."

Jesus Christ: The Savior, The Rescuer, but also a surgeon who _____ so we see our need to be saved.

John 12:32 "And I, if I am lifted up... will draw all peoples to Myself."

Romans 11:36 "For everything comes from Him and exists by His power and is intended for His glory. All glory to Him forever. Amen."

3. "Christ the _____"

Philippians 2:10, 11 "... that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Romans 10:9 "If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord", and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."

⇒ **Since Jesus is Lord:** we find true life by losing everything to gain Him.

⇒ “He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose.” ~Jim Elliot