

Luke 2:10-11 (NIV)

"The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord."

Celebrate the Savior Luke 1 – Acts 2

Acts 2:22-24 (NIV)

"Men of Israel, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. This man was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.

I. The Life that He Lived

Verse 22 – "Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know."

• He Lived a Supernatural Life

Luke 7:16 (NIV)

They were all filled with awe and praised God. "A great prophet has appeared among us," they said. "God has come to help his people."

- He lived a Sinless Life
- He lived a Selfless Life

Matthew 20:28 (NIV)

"The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Ephesians 5:1-2 (NIV)

Be imitators of God,and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

II. The Death that He Died

Verse 23 - This Man, delivered over by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God, you nailed to a cross by the hands of godless men and put Him to death.

1 Corinthians 15:3 (ESV)

"For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures."

III. The Grave that He Conquered

Verse 24 – "But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him."

Romans 4:25-5:2

He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

IV. The Return that He Promised

Matthew 16:27

For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what he has done.

Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me; Buried He carried my sins far away; Rising, He justified freely forever; One day He's coming—O glorious day!

- J. Wilbur Chapman