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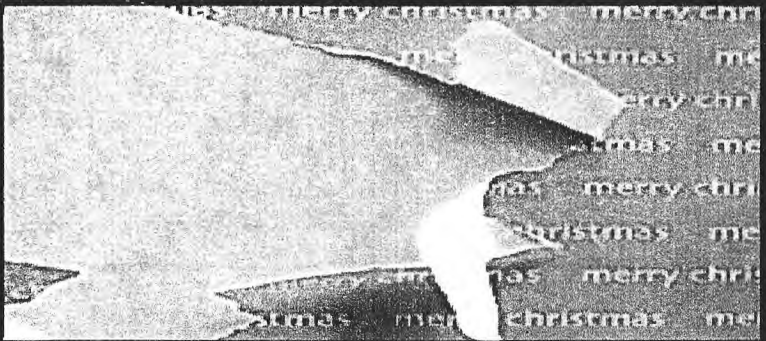
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***Welcome
to the Church
Where the
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Has Not Gone
OUT!***

UNWRAPPING THE GIFTS OF CHRISTMAS

***The Gift of
Unexpected Company***



Matthew 1:1—23

***Sunday School Lesson
December 18, 2016***

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Each year we see a new twist put on Christmas, the most holy time of the year. This year we have the _____ Nativity Set.

We lean towards the _____ of Christmas because we have become so likely familiar with the events of the Season that we allow ourselves to be preoccupied with _____ rather than the _____ meaning.

1. THE GIFT OF CHRISTMAS IS HARD TO _____.

The Christmas story is _____.

Matthew describes a _____ person ... where He _____; and who His _____ were.

Genealogies in the ancient world were used to _____ power, to _____ status and to _____ inheritance.

Matthew's point in verse one is, Jesus is the _____ of all that God _____ and all that people had _____ for.

What we have to agree to is the fact that we are _____ lost apart from God's _____ and _____.

Christmas is more than a _____ holiday or a _____ holiday.

Christmas is a declaration of _____ where God insists that He will not _____ us the way we are while He refuses to _____ His holiness.

For God to be the _____, we must first acknowledge that we are the _____.

The key to this gift is we have to acknowledge that we desperately need God's _____.

The story of Christmas is for all of _____!

2. THE GRACE OF CHRISTMAS IS FOR

Matthew writes to tell us more than that... Jesus was _____.

Matthew writes to tell us how Jesus _____.

Salvation is not just for the Jews, but for _____ too!

It doesn't matter who you are and it doesn't matter what you have done ... the _____ of Christmas is for _____!

Christmas means _____!

Jesus was born by way of a _____.

Jesus came from _____, but He was not like _____.

Jesus had no earthly _____; therefore, He remained perfectly _____ and perfectly _____ even though He lived in human _____.

3. THE GOD OF CHRISTMAS HAS HIS OWN

The coming of Jesus is the _____ of God making good on His promise to _____.

God can _____ you to see if you _____ Him!

