## All I Want for Christmas is Peace

## Luke 2:8-20

## Crushing Satan

- The attacks of Satan are designed to steal the Word of God from your life. If the Word is stolen from you, the resulting benefits, blessings and qualities are then stolen.
- It is the hearing and DOING of the Word of God that causes one to stand firm in the midst of the storms of life.
- Romans 16:20
- Ephesians 6:11, 13, 15
  - You are in a battle every day. Satan never takes a day off. Neither can you. Put on peace that comes from the Good News about Jesus.
  - No warrior puts on armor just to be a punching bag for his enemy. Armor is necessary, because the enemy fights back. Your enemy is trying to kill you.
  - Every time you yield to temptation and sin, you make yourself a little weaker against that sin, like body blows in a boxing match. Every time you resist sin, you get a little stronger.
  - Peace is one of our great weapons to crush Satan under your feet!
  - So then, if your peace is determined by outside influences, Satan will destroy you!

## Don't sell your birthright

- Hebrews 12:14-17
  - Living in peace with everyone crushes Satan's head. Living in peace with everyone prevents the poison of bitterness from taking root in your life.
  - Living in peace is going to take work. Work at peace and living a holy life.
  - Peace is the freedom of mind from annoyance, distraction, anxiety, an obsession, etc.
- Romans 12:17-21
- 1 Peter 3:10-12

**Isaiah 9:6** - For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, **Prince of Peace**.