

Getting Ready For Christmas!



Text: Luke 3:1-6

I. Introduction

- As we get ready for Christmas

II. We Need To Make Time For The Things Which Are Most Important!

- We get so busy we don't take time for the important things
- Especially at Christmas time to reflect on the true and wonderful meaning of Christmas
- It's not about financial profit, it's about spiritual profile for our own salvation

III. We Need To Prepare Our Hearts

- We must walk daily with Christ to prepare us for Him
- Our personal experiences with the Savior may all be different, but His plan of salvation is the same for all!
- **Romans 10:10**
- **Acts 2:38**
- **Acts 16:31**
- Salvation is the gift of the Holy Spirit; Christmas is a time of hope

IV. We Need To Renew Our Hope

- There's something about this season of the year that opens our hearts and renews our hope
- The coming of the Messiah sustained the Jewish people through hundreds of years; it sustains the hope of Christians now

V. We Need To Reaffirm Our Love For Those Around Us

- First and foremost to the lonely and poor
- God's free gift of salvation is for all people everywhere

VI. Conclusion

- Why not surrender to God today?
- God came to us in the form of His Son to be born, to die, and to be resurrected for us all
- The Messiah reigns over all in His Kingdom in everlasting love