

Luke 2:8-18 English (ESV)

The Shepherds and the Angels

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in a manger. ¹⁷ And when they saw it, they made known
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child. ¹⁸ And all who heard it wondered at what the
shepherds told them.

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE:

Jesus, the Prince of Peace

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⁴ But when **the fullness of time had come**, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵ **to redeem those who were under the law**, so that we might receive adoption as sons.-- Galatians 4

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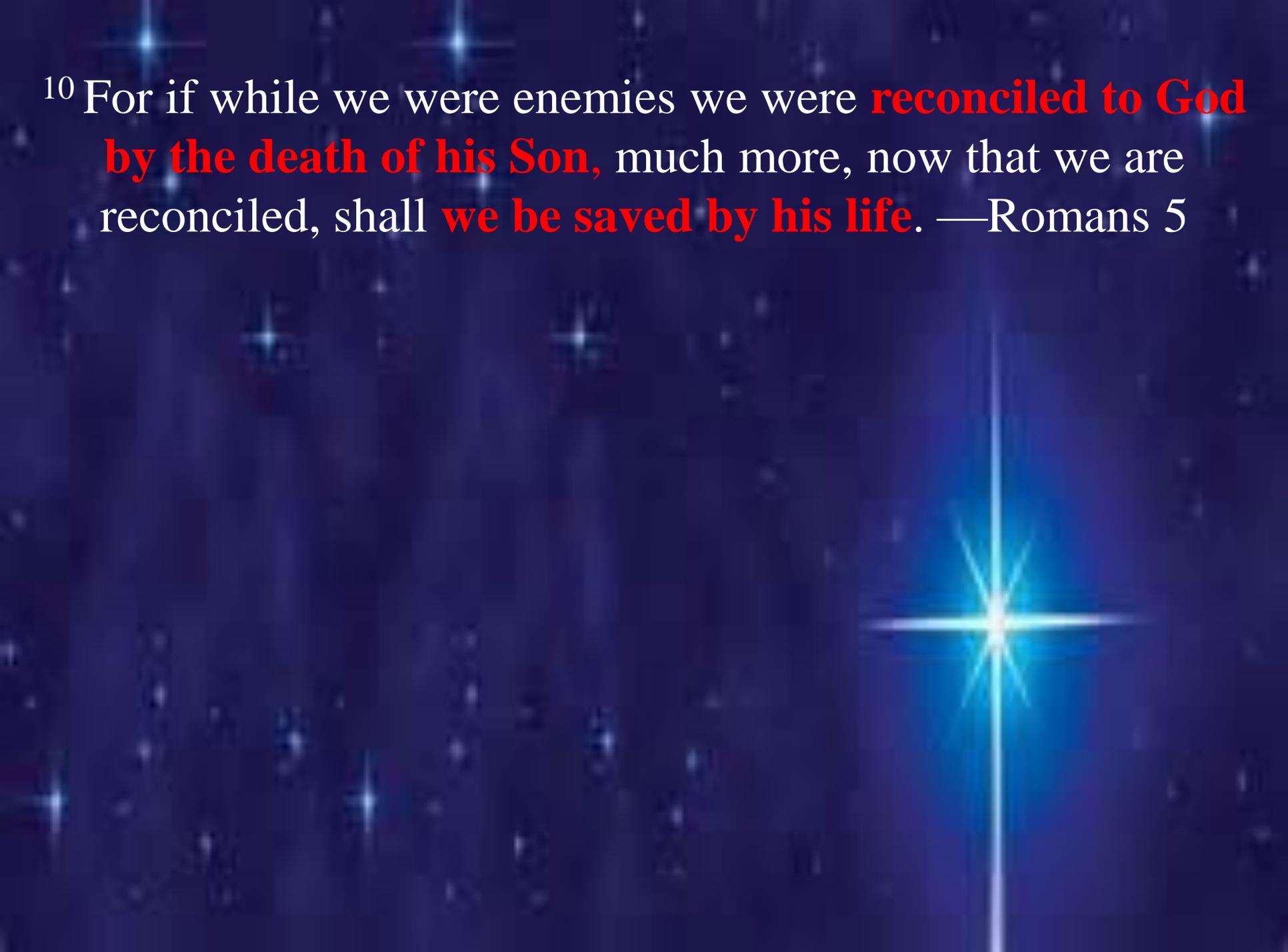
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⁶ And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet. ⁷ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places.--Matthew 24



11-15 I saw a Great White Throne and the One Enthroned. Nothing could stand before or against the Presence, nothing in Heaven, nothing on earth. And then I saw all the dead, great and small, standing there—before the Throne! And books were opened. Then another book was opened: the Book of Life. The dead were judged by what was written in the books, by the way they had lived. Sea released its dead, Death and Hell turned in their dead. Each man and woman was judged by the way he or she had lived. Then Death and Hell were hurled into Lake Fire. This is the second death—Lake Fire. Anyone whose name was not found inscribed in the Book of Life was hurled into Lake Fire.—Revelation 20 (MGS)

¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were **reconciled to God by the death of his Son**, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall **we be saved by his life**. —Romans 5



²³ For the WAGES of sin is death, BUT the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.—Romans 6



⁹ But you are a **chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession**, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who **called you out of darkness into his marvelous light**. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, **but** now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, **but** now you have received mercy.-- 1 Peter 2



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Questions to Ask Yourself This Christmas

1. Do you know the Prince of Peace this morning?
2. Have you experienced the peace that only comes from above?
3. Will you invite Jesus to take up residence in your life and give you the peace that He alone can give?
4. If you want His peace, then you must accept some important facts about Jesus.
 - a) Admit that you are a sinners
 - b) Believe that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life
 - c) Confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.