

How To Get More Out Of Christmas | Christmas, Pt. 1

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God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, to a virgin named Mary. She was engaged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of King David. Gabriel appeared to her and said, "Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you! You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus." Mary responded, "I am the Lord's servant. May everything you have said about me come true." And then the angel left her. [Luke 1:26-28, 31, 38 \(NLT\)](#)

1. Be to let God use me.

"No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him."

[1 Corinthians 2:9 \(NLT\)](#)

Zechariah and Elizabeth were righteous in God's eyes, careful to obey all of the Lord's commandments and regulations. They had no children because Elizabeth was unable to conceive, and they were both very old.

[Luke 1:6-7 \(NLT\)](#)

2. for God's timing.

For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing. [James 1:3-4 \(NLT\)](#)

Anna, a prophet, was also there in the Temple. She was very old. Her husband died when they had been married only seven years. Then she lived as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the Temple but stayed there day and night, worshiping God with fasting and prayer. She came along just as Simeon was talking with Mary and Joseph, and she began praising God. She talked about the child to everyone who had been waiting expectantly for God to rescue Jerusalem. [Luke 2:36-38 \(NLT\)](#)

3. while I wait.

So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. [Romans 12:1-2 \(MSG\)](#)

Talk It Over

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2. What's one practical step you can take this week to experience a "Christ-más"—more of Christ in your Christmas?

For your own notes:

Daily Bible Readings

Monday—[Matthew 12:1-21](#)//Tuesday—[Matthew 12:22-50](#)

Wednesday—[Matthew 13:1-33](#)//Thursday—[Matthew 13:34-58](#)

Friday—[Matthew 14:1-21](#)//Saturday—[Matthew 14:22-36](#)

Sunday—[Matthew 15:1-20](#)

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Service Times:

Saturday @ **6:15pm**

Sunday @ **10:00am + 11:45am + 1:30pm**