

## WHITES RUN BAPTIST CHURCH

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### Christmas Eve, 2023

#### Announcements

- **TONIGHT: Candlelight Christmas Service, 6:00 PM.**
- **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering:** Help support international mission efforts by supporting the International Mission Board.
- **Family Dinner, every Sunday 12:00-?.** Everyone is invited.
- **Prayer Meeting, Wednesday 7:00 PM:** Come pray with us for our church, and our community.

#### The Return of Glory, Luke 2:1-20.

**Today's Point:** The glory of God returned to Israel in the person of Jesus Christ who will share His glory with His people forever.

#### **The Glory of the Past**

- Glory over Pharaoh: Exodus 14:4, 17-18.
- Visible glory at Mt. Sinai: Exodus 24:16-17.
- Personal glory for Moses: Exodus 33:12-23.
- Glory filling the tabernacle: Exodus 40:34-38.
- Glory filling the temple: 1 Kings 8:10-11; 2 Chronicles 5:13-14; Ezekiel 10:3-4.
- Glory departing the temple: Ezekiel 10:18.
- Glory returning to the temple: Ezekiel 43:1-5.
- Glory returning to Israel in Jesus Christ: Luke 2:9, 2:14, 2:32, 9:28-36; John 1:14, 11:40, 17:5, 17:22.

- Jesus entered into more glory at his ascension, (Luke 24:26; 1 Peter 1:21; 1 Timothy 3:16; Hebrews 2:9).

#### **The Glory of the Future**

- The return of Jesus will mean even more glory (Matthew 16:27, 19:28; Luke 21:27; 1 Peter 4:11.
- And this glory, he will share with His people. - Romans 8:21; 2 Corinthians 3:18; 1 Cor 15:43; Revelation 21:22-26. See also Romans 5:2; Col 1:27; 1 Pet 5:4, 10.

#### **The Glory of the Present**

- See 2 Corinthians 5:16-6:10.

#### **Encouragements**

- Spread the glory of Jesus Christ. Luke 2:9, 14, 17, 20.
- Recognize God's power to bring glory from even the most humble of circumstances.

#### Share the Christmas scriptures with your family this year!

Luke 1:26-38, an angel visits Mary.

Matthew 1:18-25, an angel visits Joseph.

Luke 2:1-7, the birth of Jesus.

Luke 2:8-20, shepherds and angels.

Luke 2:21-38, Jesus at the temple at 8 days (21) and 40 days old (22+).

Matthew 2:1-12, wise men (magi) visit. (Jesus is 1-2 yrs. old.)

John 1:1-18, the theology of the first coming.

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