

The Love of Christmas  
IS A DIVINE LOVE

Luke 2:8-14

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All of heaven was preparing for a grand party.

Try to imagine the excitement and anticipation in heaven while Jesus was in the womb.

**Luke 1:38-41**

A fetus was the first to rejoice at the news of Jesus. Think on that.

We must make sure that we don't misinterpret the intensity and the power of the Love of God.

What is love anyway, how can we define it? How does the Bible define it?

**I Corinthians 13:4-7; John 3:16**

**I. THE ORIGIN OF GOD'S LOVE IS GOD HIMSELF.**

**I John 4:7** a. Love stems from His nature.

**1 John 4:19** b. He loved us first.

**II. THE OBJECT OF GOD'S LOVE IS ALL HUMANITY.**

**John 3:16** For this is how God loved the world

God cannot, will not tolerate sin.

But He loves those who are caught up in sin...and

it grieves Him to see what sin is doing to those whom He loves.

God loves the person...despite the sin!

His love is eternal, (never ending)

**Romans 8:38**

**III. THE OPERATION OF GOD'S LOVE:**

**John 3:16** He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him

There are two aspects of God's Love given in this verse.

1. God gave Jesus because He first loved us.

2. For that gift to become effective in our lives we must believe in and Receive Jesus.

**John 1:12 KJV, NLT**

To receive God's love requires receiving Jesus.

**IV. THE OUTCOME OF THIS LOVE**

**John 3:16** will not perish but have eternal life.

Because He loves us, God gave Jesus to us...

God's gift of love is offered!

Have you received His gift?

Will you receive His gift?

In all the gift-giving that will occur this week,

remember the two gifts that God wants exchanged this morning-

(1) The gift that He gives –

He is hoping that you will take it this morning.

(2) The other gift is,

He is waiting for you to give yourself to Him.

Give yourself to Him and experience the greatest love you'll ever know.

IT's YOUR CHOICE...He's done all He can do....