

# WHY CHRIST CAME

PART III -- {Sunday, January 11, 2015 A.D.}

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## FOCUS THEME:

Christ came to receive our:

- ✓ worship in spirit and in truth
  - ✓ continuous praise of His glory
  - ✓ thanksgiving/heart-felt gratitude
  - ✓ love from an undivided heart
  - ✓ obedience of Him as LORD
  - ✓ expression of faith in Him and His word
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## FOCUS TEXTS:

### Luke 2:25-38 (NASB95)

... Simeon; and this man was righteous and devout, looking for the consolation of Israel; and the Holy Spirit was upon him . . .  
<sup>28</sup> then he took Him into his arms, and blessed God, and said, <sup>29</sup> "Now Lord, You are releasing Your bond-servant to depart in peace, According to Your word; <sup>30</sup> For my eyes have seen Your salvation, <sup>31</sup> Which You have prepared in the presence of all peoples, <sup>32</sup> A LIGHT OF REVELATION TO THE GENTILES, And the glory of Your people Israel." . . .

<sup>36</sup> And there was a prophetess, Anna . . . She was advanced in years. . . She never left the temple, serving night and day with fastings and prayers. <sup>38</sup> At that very moment she came up and *began* giving thanks to God, and continued to speak of Him to all those who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

### Matthew 2:1-2 (NASB95)

... magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, <sup>2</sup> "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him."

### Mark 5:22-23 (NASB95)

<sup>22</sup> One of the synagogue officials named Jairus came\* up, and on seeing Him, fell\* at His feet <sup>23</sup> and implored\* Him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter is at the point of death; *please* come and lay Your hands on her, so that she will get well and live."

### Mark 7:25-28 (NASB95)

<sup>25</sup> But after hearing of Him, a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately came and fell at His feet. <sup>26</sup> Now the woman was a Gentile, of the Syrophenician race. And she kept asking Him to cast the demon out of her daughter. <sup>27</sup> And He was saying to her, "Let the children be satisfied first, for it is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." <sup>28</sup> But she answered and said\* to Him, "Yes, Lord, *but even the dogs under the table feed on the children's crumbs.*"

### Luke 5:8-9 (NASB95)

<sup>8</sup> But when Simon Peter saw *that*, he fell down at Jesus' feet, saying, "Go away from me Lord, for I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup> For amazement had seized him and all his companions because of the catch of fish which they had taken;

### Luke 7:37-38 (NASB95)

<sup>37</sup> And there was a woman in the city who was a sinner; and when she learned that He was reclining *at the table* in the Pharisee's house, she brought an alabaster vial of perfume, <sup>38</sup> and standing behind Him at His feet, weeping, she began to wet His feet with her tears, and kept wiping them with the hair of her head, and kissing His feet and anointing them with the perfume.

### Luke 7:44-50 (NASB95)

<sup>44</sup> Turning toward the woman, He said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has wet My feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. <sup>45</sup> "You gave Me no kiss; but she, since the time I came in, has not ceased to kiss My feet. <sup>46</sup> "You did not anoint My head with oil, but she anointed My feet with perfume. <sup>47</sup> "For this reason I say to you, her sins, which are many, have been forgiven, for she loved much; but he who is forgiven little, loves little." <sup>48</sup> Then He said to her, "Your sins have been forgiven." <sup>49</sup> Those who were reclining *at the table* with Him began to say to themselves, "Who is this man who even forgives sins?"

<sup>50</sup> And He said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

**Mark 14:3 (NASB95)**

<sup>3</sup> While He was in Bethany at the home of Simon the leper, and reclining *at the table*, there came a woman with an alabaster vial of very costly perfume of pure nard; **and she broke the vial and poured it over His head.**

**Luke 17:15-19 (NASB95)**

<sup>15</sup> Now **one of them**, when he saw that he had been healed, **turned back, glorifying God with a loud voice,** <sup>16</sup> **and he fell on his face at His feet, giving thanks to Him.** And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But the nine—where are they?" <sup>18</sup> "Was no one found who returned to give glory to God, except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup> And He said to him, "Stand up and go; **your faith has made you well.**"

**Matthew 17:2-8 (NASB95)**

<sup>2</sup> And He was transfigured before them; and His face shone like the sun, and His garments became as white as light. <sup>3</sup> And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him. <sup>4</sup> Peter said to Jesus, "**Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, I will make three tabernacles here, one for You, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah.**" <sup>5</sup> While he was still speaking, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and behold, a voice out of the cloud said, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; **listen to Him!**" <sup>6</sup> When the disciples heard *this*, **they fell face down to the ground and were terrified.** <sup>7</sup> And Jesus came to *them* and touched them and said, "Get up, and do not be afraid." <sup>8</sup> And lifting up their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus Himself alone.

**Mark 5:32-34 (NASB95)**

<sup>32</sup> And He looked around to see the woman who had done this. <sup>33</sup> But **the woman fearing and trembling, aware of what had happened to her, came and fell down before Him and told Him the whole truth.** <sup>34</sup> And He said to her, "Daughter, **your faith has made you well;** go in peace and be healed of your affliction."

**Matthew 16:15-17 (NASB95)**

<sup>15</sup> He said\* to them, "But who do you say that I am?" <sup>16</sup> Simon Peter answered, "**You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.**" <sup>17</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal *this* to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

**John 20:28-29 (NASB95)**

<sup>28</sup> Thomas answered and said to Him, "**My Lord and my God!**" <sup>29</sup> Jesus said\* to him, "Because you have seen Me, have you believed? Blessed *are* they who did not see, and *yet* believed."

**Matthew 28:9 (NASB95)**

<sup>9</sup> And behold, Jesus met them and greeted them. And **they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him.**

**Matthew 8:5-13 (NASB95)**

<sup>5</sup> And when Jesus entered Capernaum, **a centurion came to Him, imploring Him,** <sup>6</sup> and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, fearfully tormented." <sup>7</sup> Jesus said\* to him, "I will come and heal him." <sup>8</sup> But the centurion said, "**Lord, I am not worthy for You to come under my roof,** but just say the word, and my servant will be healed." <sup>9</sup> "**For I also am a man under authority, with soldiers under me;** and I say to this one, 'Go!' and he goes, and to another, 'Come!' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this!' and he does *it.*" <sup>10</sup> Now when Jesus heard *this*, He marveled and said to those who were following, "Truly I say to you, **I have not found such great faith with anyone in Israel.**" <sup>11</sup> "I say to you that many will come from east and west, and recline *at the table* with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven; <sup>12</sup> but the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." <sup>13</sup> And Jesus said to the centurion, "Go; **it shall be done for you as you have believed.**" And the servant was healed that *very* moment.

**Matthew 10:37-39 (NASB95)**

<sup>37</sup> "**He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.**" <sup>38</sup> "**And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me.**" <sup>39</sup> "He who has found his life will lose it, and he who has lost his life for My sake will find it.

### **Revelation 4:8-11 (NASB95)**

"HOLY, HOLY, HOLY *is* THE LORD GOD, THE ALMIGHTY,  
WHO WAS AND  
WHO IS AND  
WHO IS TO COME."

<sup>9</sup> And when the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, to Him who lives forever and ever, <sup>10</sup> the twenty-four elders will fall down before Him who sits on the throne, and will worship Him who lives forever and ever, and will cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

<sup>11</sup> "Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created."

### **Revelation 5:9-14 (NASB95)**

<sup>9</sup> And they sang\* a new song, saying,

"Worthy are You to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and purchased for God with Your blood *men* from every tribe and tongue and people and nation.

<sup>10</sup> "You have made them *to be* a kingdom and priests to our God; and they will reign upon the earth."

<sup>11</sup> Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne and the living creatures and the elders; and the number of them was myriads of myriads, and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup> saying with a loud voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing."

<sup>13</sup> And every created thing which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all things in them, I heard saying, "To Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, *be* blessing and honor and glory and dominion forever and ever." <sup>14</sup> And the four living creatures kept saying, "Amen." And the elders fell down and worshiped.