



SERMON NOTES

Christmas at the Movies

A Christmas Carol

Part Three

Pastor Carl Toti - December 15-16, 2018

Christmas can be a season of SALVATION, SERVICE and SUBMISSION, instead of a celebration of STUFF.

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Luke 1:46-48 (NLT)

46 Mary responded, "Oh, how my soul praises the Lord. 47 How my spirit rejoices in God my Savior! 48 For he took notice of his lowly servant girl, and from now on all generations will call me blessed.

Luke 1:51-53 (NLT)

51 His mighty arm has done tremendous things! He has scattered the proud and haughty ones. 52 He has brought down princes from their thrones and exalted the humble. 53 He has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away with empty hands.

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Luke 1:42-45 (NLT)

42 Elizabeth gave a glad cry and exclaimed to Mary, "God has blessed you above all women, and your child is blessed. 43 Why am I so honored, that the mother of my Lord should visit me? 44 When I heard your greeting, the baby in my womb jumped for joy. 45 You are blessed because you believed that the Lord would do what he said."

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Luke 1:54-56 (NLT)

54 He has helped his servant Israel and remembered to be merciful. 55 For he made this promise to our ancestors, to Abraham and his children forever." 56 Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back to her own home.

Hebrews 12:28 (Wesley NT)

28 Therefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us hold fast the grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably, with reverence and godly fear.

Malachi 3:14 (NKJV)

14 You have said, 'It is useless to serve God; What profit is it that we have kept His ordinance, And that we have walked as mourners Before the LORD of hosts?'

Answers:

1. Salvation
2. Submission
3. Service