

A Word from Our President**Spread the Joy!**

“And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.” Luke 2:10

That message was proclaimed to shepherds keeping watch over their flock by night. Imagine what they must have felt when “suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men” (Luke 2:13-14).

The shepherds had just heard the greatest news possible! A Savior was born that day in the City of David! They could not contain themselves, but immediately went with haste to Bethlehem “and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger” (Luke 2:16). When the shepherds saw the child, they shared the Good News and glorified God!

From these very humble beginnings, good tidings of great joy have spread throughout the world! Each one of us who believe, trust, and obey Jesus Christ have a blessed calling to go and teach all nations. God’s Spirit works in us and fitly joins us all together to build the body of Jesus Christ. We partner with all other believers throughout history in declaring the good news!

“O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain: O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid.” Isaiah 40:9

Why did Jesus come to Earth?

I Timothy 1:15, “This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.”

John 3:16-17, “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.”

Mark 10:45, “For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

John 10:10, “The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.”

Matthew 5:17, “Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.”

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Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. John 17:17

God's Gifts to Family Radio!



You may have noticed a few changes in our programming over the past couple of months. God has blessed us tremendously with exciting new partnerships and opportunities! We've brought on new syndicated programs like *Grace to You* with John MacArthur, *The Bible Study Hour* with Dr. James Boice, and *Dr. Barnhouse and the Bible*.

We've also brought back the beloved program, *Echoes*. God tells us that His Word "shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please" (Isaiah 55:11). Every Sunday the Word of God is preached from church pulpits all around the world. You can now listen to some of those sermons on *Sunday Echoes*!

Our mornings have changed as well. Mark Daniels, who comes to us with nearly forty years of radio experience, has joined the team as the new host of *Rise and Rejoice*! David Manzi will continue to host the Saturday morning program, and he'll also be focused on some new, exciting outreach opportunities in 2019.

We believe all these changes are gifts from God. He's answered many prayers and brought about changes that we couldn't accomplish ourselves. We thank God for His good gifts! He sustains our ministry as we continue to proclaim His ultimate gift—salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ!



What People Are Saying

"I am on active duty in the Navy, stationed at Naval Air Station Lemoore. Thank you for your programming and music playlist, focused on teaching and encouraging believers and glorifying Christ Jesus." - Christopher

"It is truly wonderful to hear the Word of the Lord Jesus and music to lift our spirits to praise Him as our Lord and Savior!" - Marc

"I am listening to Family Radio and feel very grateful to hear the Christ-centered music all day. I have been listening to Family Radio for many years and especially like the music at Christmas time." - Carol

"Words can't express how much I appreciate and am blessed by Family Radio. I learned the Gospel! Thank God for His holy Word the Bible. To God be the glory!" - Shirley

"Enclosed is a donation to help to further your work in sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ with the world. Thank God for your good work! Each part of your schedule is like a gem in a patchwork of God-glorifying programs. May God continue to bless your ministry!" - Starr



Edmund Sears was a pastor for seven years before suffering a mental and emotional breakdown. Beyond the stress of being a pastor, he was burdened by the events of the Mexican-American War that had just ended. At the same time, he was hearing rumors of violent revolution in Europe, and strife in the US foreshadowed civil war.

Sears lived in a turbulent time when peace seemed all but impossible. Amid such chaos, he remembered the angels on Christmas night, proclaiming "peace on the earth, goodwill to men."

So he wrote a poem to remind the world of the call for peace. Today we sing "It Came upon the Midnight Clear" knowing that Jesus is the one true source of peace.