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• This Years “Bargain” Gifts For Christmas

• A Cashmere Sweater For $295.00
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- Tiffany & Co. Has a Bone China Paper Cup for $95.00
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- Neiman Marcus Has A Needlepoint Pillow For $98.00
- Recycled Cotton Polyester Ecostitch Stripe Throw $250.00
- Make Up Is A Steal At $26.00
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• New And Popular Gift Trend – DNA Test Kit  $69-199.00
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• DNA Testing Answers To The Tantalizing Question Many Of Us Grapple With: "Who Am I?"

• DOG DNA KITS: $199.00
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• **People Do Want To Know The Answer To The Question Who Am I?**

• **People Are Fascinated With Their Family Tree & Their Lineage. Where Did They Come From?**

• **The Gospels Of Matthew And Luke Included Genealogies Of Jesus—Tracing His Family Tree**
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• Those Who Learn the Lessons from the Family Tree of Jesus and Who Will Look With An Open Heart -- They Find That Jesus Christ Is The Very Lord And Savior That They Have Been Looking For
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• LET’S READ Matthew 1:1-17

• (1) A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham: (2) Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers,

• (5b) ...Obed the father of Jesse, (6) and Jesse the father of King David. David was the father of Solomon...

• (16) and Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ. (17) Thus there were fourteen generations in all from Abraham to David, fourteen from David to the exile to Babylon, and fourteen from the exile to the Christ.
• LET’S READ Matthew 1:18-25
• (20b)... an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. (21) She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." (22) All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: (23) "The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel"--which means, "God with us."
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• Lessons We Learn From The Family Tree Of Jesus:
  • GOD KEEPS HIS WORD

• Matt 1:1 (NIV) A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham:

• God Does What He Says He Will Do
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• God Gave His Word Of Covenant To Abraham & David

• To Abraham: God Promised A Great Land And Nation

• To David: God Promised An Eternal Kingdom

• When God Makes A Promise Or Covenant – He Keeps It Without Fail!
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• God Kept His Promises Through Christ’s Coming

• Jesus Christ Is The Main Character In Matthew’s Gospel Presentation

• Matthew Begins His Gospel Tracing Jesus’ Lineage And Family Tree In Detail
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• The Family Tree Of Jesus Shows He Is A Descendant Of Both Abraham & David An Essential Regarding The Coming Messiah

• He Is Indeed -- The Son Of God:

• (Matt 1:16 NIV)… And Jacob begat Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.
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• Jesus Did Not Come From The Loins Of Joseph – Mary Conceived Of The Holy Spirit of God

• Christ Is The Virgin Born -- Son Of God as Promised (Isa 7:14)

• God Keeps His Word And He Keeps His Promises
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• *Jesus Was On A Mission -- He Came As Savior & Messiah*

• *Jesus Christ Came To Fulfill The Prophecies That Told Of A Coming Prophet, Priest And King*
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• God’s Faithfulness In The Past Should Bring Us Confidence For The Future

• Just As God Kept His Word And Sent Us Messiah, God Will Keep All Of His Promises Regarding Our Future
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• God Said He Will Save… He Will Save
• God Said He Will Heal… He Will Heal
• God Said He Will Fill Us… He Will Fill Us
• God Has Promised Christ Will Return … He Will Return!
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• Because God Always Keeps His Promises -- We Can Face the Future Victoriously In Christ!

• He Left in the Clouds – He’ll Return in the Clouds

• (Rev. 22:20 NIV) “Yes, I Am Coming Soon.”
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- God’s Time Is Not Always Our Time
- God’s Timing Is Perfect
- We See His Perfect Timing All Through Out Our Lives
- (Rom 5:6 NIV) You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly.
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• All Through His Earthly Life Jesus’ Timing Was Impeccable

• There Were More Than 20 Prophecies Written During The Old Testament That Were Fulfilled During A 24 Hour Period In The Crucifixion Of Christ

• “Christ Could Not Have Possibly Directed Where He Would Be Born How He Would Die. Or How The World Would React To Him, But Because Of God's Perfect Timing At Just The Right Time And On Every Occasion Jesus Christ Came Through.”
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• (Gal 4:4-5 NIV) But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, (5) to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons.

• When Did He Come? At Just The Right Time!

• Jesus Fulfilled The Waiting Of Thousands Of Years
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• Much Of The World Today Has Been Lulled Back To Sleep – Especially Regarding The Soon Coming Retune Of Jesus Christ

• LET’S READ 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
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Things Aren’t Falling Apart -- They Are Falling Into Place

- Wars And Rumors Of Wars
- Natural Disasters
- Lawlessness In Every Aspect Of Life
- Shaking Of Institutions Like Hollywood & Government
- Russia, Turkey, Iran Aligning – Prophesied In Ezekiel 38
- Moving U.S. Embassy To Jerusalem – Declaring Jerusalem To Be Israel’s Capital
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• Zechariah 12 – Says:
  • Jerusalem’s Enemies Will Be Destroyed

  “I am going to make Jerusalem a cup that sends all the surrounding peoples reeling –”

• Today This Biblical Prophecy Is Being Fulfilled
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• NOW Is Time To Get Ready For Our Great Future In Life -- The Soon Return Of Jesus Christ

To Face Our Future Victoriously:
• We Must Stay Close To Jesus
• He Is Our Hope And Our Salvation
• We Must Stay Close To The Body Of Christ
• We Must Build Each Other Up In The Faith
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The Standard For Readiness: Be Blameless and Holy

• 1 Thessalonians 3:13 (NIV) (13) May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

We Are To Be Sanctified – Set Apart For His Coming

• 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 (NIV) (23) May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. (24) The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it.
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We Have To Be Ready -- Waiting -- Faithful

• Self Controlled
• Put On Faith & Love
• Take Up The Helmet Of Our Salvation

• Jesus Is The Way -- The Only Way To Eternal Life -- No One Comes To The Father Except By Him
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• Jesus Made A Full & Complete Sacrifice -- It’s Why He Came

• God’s Plan Seen In His Son’s Name

• Jesus Christ
  • Jesus = “Jehovah (Yahweh) saves.”
  • Christ = “anointed one.”
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• God’s Plan Is For Our Eternal Benefit

• God’s Plan Is More Wonderful Than We Can Imagine.

• (Ephesians 1:9-10, TLB) God has told us his secret reason for sending Christ, a plan he decided on in mercy long ago; and this was his purpose: that when the time is ripe he will gather us all together from wherever we are—in heaven or on earth—to be with him in Christ forever.
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- God Has A Great Plan
- His Plan Will Go Forth

- It Is Being Enacted Even Today
- And It Becomes Reality In And Thru Jesus Christ

- Our Destiny… Our Design… Even Our Eternal Family Tree Is Realized In Christ
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God is too wise to be mistaken
God is too good to be unkind
So when you don't understand
When don't see His plan
When you can't trace His hand
Trust His Heart
Trust His Heart
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• God Does Have A Plan
• His Plan Will Go Forth

• When God's People Go With God's Plan They Share In His Victory

• We Can Be Added To The Family Tree Of Almighty God Today
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• God Wants Us In His Will – To Inherit From Him Eternal Life
• This Can Be Ours -- Because Christ Came

• God’s Plan Is That No One Would Be Lost

God Made The Provision And Has Given His Grace

Now Is The Time For Our Choice – Will You Take The Opportunity To Embrace Christ This Christmas Season?