

THE MIRROR IN THE MANGER

Luke 2:25-35

What we see in Christmas reveals what God sees in us.

What did the ORIGINAL CHARACTERS see in Christmas?

Angelsa reason to worship
Shepherdsa reason to broadcast
Marya reason to yield
Joseph.....a reason to trust
Elizabetha reason to rejoice
Zechariah.....a reason to prophesy
Magia reason to give
Annaa reason to hope
Simeona reason to rest

Innkeeper.....a reason to ignore
Herod.....a reason to panic
Satan.....a reason to rage

These characters did not so much render a judgment upon the Christ child as the Christ child rendered a judgment upon them.

What do YOU see in Christmas?

I seea reason to worship
I seea reason to broadcast
I seea reason to yield
I seea reason to trust
I seea reason to rejoice
I seea reason to prophesy
I seea reason to give
I seea reason to hope
I seea reason to rest

I seea reason to ignore
I seea reason to panic
I seea reason to rage

When we say, "This is what I see in Christmas...", we're not merely describing the Christ child, we're describing the condition of our own hearts.