

# The Joy of Christmas Is Joy

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## Joy to the World the Lord is Come

6 “For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. 7 Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David’s throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever.”

**Isaiah 9:6-7 NIV**

*“He came out of Eternity and stepped into time and space in order to bring us into eternity with Him.”*

-Anonymous

*“Bible teaching about the Second Coming of Christ was thought of as “doomsday” preaching. But not anymore. It is the only ray of hope that shines as an ever-brightening beam in a darkening world.”*

- Billy Graham

23 “Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

**1 Thessalonians 5:23 ESV**

3 “And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.”

**John 14:3 ESV**

10 “And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, 11 and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

**Acts 1:10-11 ESV**

## Let Every Heart Prepare Him Room

7 “Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen. 8 “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

**Revelation 1:7-8 ESV**

## Let Men Their Songs Employ

1 “Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. 2 The Lord has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations. 3 He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. 4 Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music;”

**Psalms 98:1-4 NIV**

## Let Earth Receive Her King

2 “I am going to prepare a place for you. 3 When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am.”

**John 14:2-3 NLT**

28 “so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for Him.”

**Hebrews 9:28 ESV**

## He Comes to Make His Blessings Flow, Far as the Curse is Found

## He Rules the World with Truth and Grace

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**Isaiah 9:6 NIV**

## **And Wonders of His Love**

3 “They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 4 ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.” 5 He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” Then he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.” 6 He said to me: “It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life. 7 Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be my children.”

**Revelation 21:3-7 NIV**

23 “Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

**1 Thessalonians 5:23 ESV**