



# EVERYTHING TO US

A 7-Day Glimpse at The Baby in the Manger

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DECEMBER 19  
HE IS WONDERFUL.

Wonderful. A word often spoken, but hardly pondered.

Wonder should make us wonder.

If Jesus is wonderful, what does that mean? Who is this baby, really?

He is The Word of God.

The heavens and earth speak to us of Him.

Angels.

Planets.

Stars.

Oceans.

All of them are full of Him. He is, after all, the one by whom all things were made.

He has always been wonderful. He will always be wonderful.

Read Psalm 19:1-4

Spend two minutes today staring into the night sky. Meditate on God and his majesty.

DECEMBER 20  
HE IS COUNSELOR.

Counselor. If you need an answer, He's got it.  
He is the very Wisdom of God.

Looking for a guide?  
Looking for an expert?  
Looking for a teacher?

There He is in the manger.

Which way should I go, Jesus? *My way*, He says.  
Which thoughts should I think, Jesus? *My thoughts*, He says.

The baby in the manger has more intelligence and insight than all the counselors, gurus, and masters, throughout the ages, put together.

He is the Way.  
He is the Truth.  
He is the Life.

Read John 14:6

Spend two minutes today in prayer asking Jesus for direction for your life.

## DECEMBER 21 HE IS MIGHTY.

Mighty. He's indestructible. His strength is unmatched. It's impossible to measure the potency of His power.

Don't let the swaddling cloths fool you. This Baby is a force.

He's the warrior's Warrior.

He's the champion's Champion.

He's the Hero of all heroes.

He's the Mightiest of mighty men.

He's the Strongest of the strong.

He commands angel armies and makes demons flee.

And yet, He chose to pack all that power into a fragile newborn form.

Talk about strength. He even had the ability to confine His uncontainable might into less than ten pounds of water, blood vessels, and sinew.

Nothing you name can defeat Him.

Read Psalm 24:8

Spend two minutes thanking God for giving you His strength.

## DECEMBER 22 HE IS GOD.

God. He is uncreated. He is unequalled. He is unchanging.

He is Love. The unborn one becomes one born of The Holy Spirit  
and the flesh, all because of love.

*If this Baby isn't God, then the rest of the story is nonsense.*

Angelic visitations.

A pregnant virgin.

Shepherds racing through the dark of night.

Does God love the world enough to leave His throne to bring them  
home?

Yes.

Because of love, God steps down.

Because of love, God comes near.

Because of love, God steps in.

Because of love, God comes here.

Read Matthew 1:23

Meditate throughout the day on the fact, that God is with you and that He loves  
you.

DECEMBER 23  
HE IS EVERLASTING.

Everlasting. He is the unending one. He is eternally eternal.

The Everlasting One found lying in a manger. Could there be anything stranger?

He's not supposed to age. He doesn't need to grow.

He is before all things.

He sits above and outside of time.

He does not faint or grow weary.

He has always been, He will always be.

He will never die, yet He comes to die.

The Undying One chooses death so that a dying world could choose life.

Will eternity be long enough to express the gratitude of the multiplied millions that place their eternity in this Baby's hands?

Time will tell.

Read Isaiah 40:28

Spend two minutes meditating on the fact that Jesus subjected himself to time, so that you could be with him forever.

# DECEMBER 24 HE IS FATHER.

He is Father. *How is this possible? Wasn't He sent from The Father?*

He will speak of it himself, "I and The Father are one." [John 10:30]

He reveals The Father.

Whatever the Father does, He does.  
Whatever the Father says, He says.  
Wherever the Father goes, He goes.

The Baby in the sheep stall is The Good Shepherd. He is the one that cares for and provides for the flock that are born by The Spirit and through His blood.

He is the image of the invisible God. He brings and breathes life, itself. He shows compassion to the weak, and nourishes the hungry.

When you see Him, you see Them.

Read John 14:9

Spend two minutes writing down all the things Jesus reveals to us about God The Father.

# DECEMBER 25

## HE IS PRINCE OF PEACE.

He is Prince of Peace. *Isn't that what the manger scene is all about?*

The disobedience of two in a garden severed peace with God and humanity. Enter sin and strife. Enter discord and death.

**Enter Jesus.**

Wonderful Counselor.

Mighty God.

Everlasting Father.

This Baby brings peace. Not here today, gone tomorrow kind of peace. Nothing missing, nothing broken, kind of peace.

Complete peace. Everlasting peace.

Exit death and eternal separation. Enter new birth and life eternal.

Enter joy and hope and faith and rest. All because of Him.

He is everything, and He is everything to us.

Spend two minutes on Christmas morning thanking God for Jesus and the peace that he brings.