

## **Series: Christmas Memories**

### **Title: Remembering the Messiah of Christmas**

**Text: (Lk 1:26-2:12)**

### **A Different Kind of Christmas**

There is something Different about Jesus:

#### **I. His Birth was Different:** (Isaiah 9:6)

- A. Divine Prophecy Foretold His Birthplace: (Micah 5:2)
- B. Divine Power Made it Possible: (Is 7:14)
- C. Divine Providence brought it to pass. (Luke 2:1-2)
- D. Divine Plan was accomplished: (Luke 2:3-6)
- E. Divine Purpose was fulfilled: (Luke 2:7)
  - 1. No room in this world, His place was on the cross

#### **II. His Life was Different:**

- A. He was Completely free of Sin: (2 Cor 5:21)
- B. His Words were Different: (John 7:46)(John 6:63)
- C. His Works were Different: (John 3:2)

#### **III. His Death was Different:**

- A. He Died According to Prophecy:
  - 1. Hung between Between 2 Thieves: (Is 53:12)
  - 2. No Broken Bones: (Ps 24:20) Fulfilled (Jn 19:36)
  - 3. Beaten Beyond Recognition: (Is 53:4-5)(Is 52:14)
  - 4. Buried in Another's Tomb: (Is 53:9)
- B. He Forgave those that Caused It: (Lk 23:34)
- C. He Prayed to the One Who Designed It: (Mk 15:34)
  - 1. It was the Father's Plan:
    - a. Gen 3:21 "*Coats of Skins*"
    - b. Gen 22:13 "*Ram caught in the thicket*"

c. Ex 12:22-23 "*Passover Lamb*"

d. Heb 13:11-12 "*Jesus paid our sin debt in blood*"

D. He Died as a Substitute for Sinners: (Rom 5:6-8)

E. He Helped the one who wanted it: Lk 23:39-45

- 1. Two men were in reach: *Illus: The Three Crosses*
- 2. Christ was still able to save:
- 3. One died in sin, One died from Sin:
  - a. He knew what he was: Lk23:40-41a
  - b. He knew who Christ is: Lk 23:41b Heb 11:6
  - c. He knew how to Pray: Lk 23:42 Ro 10:9-10,13

F. Supernatural Phenomenon: (Matt 27:45)

- 1. Earthquakes: (Matt 27:51)
- 2. Graves Opened: (Matt 27:52-53)

#### **IV. Jesus Himself, was DIFFERENT:**

A Different b/c He Arose: (Rom 1:4)

1. The Tomb Is forever Empty: (Rev 1:18)

B. Different b/c He Appeared: (Acts 1:3)

C. Different b/c He Ascended: (Acts 1:9)

D. Different b/c He is Awaited: (Acts 1:10-11)(John 14:3)

E. Different b/c He made me Different: (2 Cor 5:17)

F. Different b/c He can make you Different: Jn 3:15-18