Do You Have Room?

Luke 2:7

Today all across America Bible-based churches celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. According to Jewish Historians the actual birth of Jesus was between the last week of September and the 1st week of October. They say Jesus was born during the Jewish feast of Succoth and that the very manger he was born in was a Succoth itself, which represents a permanent house or body we will all one day receive after we die. The Jewish Feast called Succoth reveals the mystery of Christ. This is why we promote putting on Christ and being baptized in Jesus name for every visitor today.

So despite the critics who say Christmas is just a pagan holiday—we celebrate December 25th as a symbolic day once a year (of Immanuel—God is with us) as the birth of Jesus Christ. Where as other countries reject and literally hate the birth and representation of Jesus Christ, we proclaim with zeal that God has come as Immanuel to visit a sinful humanity.

- o That should never get old in our hearts.
- We better keep our excitement about this day or the atheists and humanists are ready to take it from us.

I am Going to Share with You Today

THE MYSTERY OF THE WORD MADE FLESH!

There are Five Significant Points I would like you to carefully look at:

- 1. "The Word Made Flesh "was born in an impoverished atmosphere.
- 2. "The Word Made Flesh "was born to a slave girl. Luke 1:38
- 3. "The Word Made Flesh "was born in a shameful family environment. John 8:41
- 4. "The Word Made Flesh "had no significant worldly resources—foxes have holes, birds have nests but the Son of God hath no place to lay his head.
- 5. "The Word Made Flesh "was buried in a borrowed tomb.

THIS DAY WE CELEBRATE CALLED THE BIRTH OF CHRIST HAS A DEEP MYSTERY WE SHOULD LOOK AT.

- o God wants His Word to be made flesh in your life and personal character.
 - 1. The Word to be wrapped like a swaddling cloth around your mind and character.—Pray, Lord wrap your Word tight around my mind against fears and excessive worrying.
 - 2. To grow in your impoverished family background when I'm feeling like I was raised wrong.
 - 3. To grow from the slave mentalities you fight. "I'm tired of being a slave to sin."
 - 4. To fight and grow through the shame of your past environment. "I no longer will let my environment intimidate me."
 - 5. That in the midst of your lacking of resources that the Word is trying to be made flesh in you.

Look how Mary did it in Luke 1:34 & 38.

In order to survive the wrath of being stoned and shamed by her family and religious community--Mary exercised faith in the power of the spoken Word. Someone needs to lift their voice in worship and faith and say "Lord be unto me according to thy Word."

- o Let your Word wrap around my self-esteem and character like swaddling clothes.
- o The politics of Herod and Pilate could not kill "The Word Made Flesh".

Read John 8:37

- o The issue this Christmas holiday is "does the Word have room in your flesh when:
 - 1. You are offended?
 - 2. When you see the past coming back again?
 - 3. When oppression and depression overtake you.
 - 4. When it's time to fast.

Is there room for the Word Made flesh?

Read <u>2 Samuel 8:1-2</u>

DAVID MADE UP HIS MIND—I AM FACING A DEFINING MOMENT WHERE I MUST KILL THAT WHICH IS TRYING TO KILL ME!

- o It's a specific window and season where a decision has to be made to make "The Word Flesh" a reality in you.
- o I am purposing to kill the Moabite that is killing my joy and my prayer life and my ability to fast.
- o I'm talking about the resilience of fasting and prayer until you finally kill the Moabites.

Is there Room for Him Today?