

## 25 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS WITH RIDGECREST SUMMER CAMPS



"Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from \*everlasting to everlasting you are God." -Psalm 90:2



"And **God saw everything that he had made**, and behold, **it was very good.**" -Genesis 1:31a

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"In the beginning was the Word (Jesus), and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." -John 1:1



"And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die." -Genesis 2:16-17

"In the beginning, **God created** the heavens and the earth." -Genesis, 1:1



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"Now the serpent... said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?" -Genesis 3:1

"And God said, "Let there be light...Let there be an expanse, Let there be waters gathered and the dry land appear, Let the earth sprout vegetation, Let there be lights to separate the day from the night and to be for signs and seasons, Let the waters swarm with living creatures, and birds fly above the earth, Let the earth bring forth living creatures."

-Genesis 1:3-25



"So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate." -Genesis 3:6

"And God said, **'Let us make man** in Our image, after Our likeness'. So God created man in His own image of God He created Him; male and female He \*created them." -Genesis 1:27



And **a terrible lie** came into the world. Whispering to every one of God's children: "God doesn't love me." Sally Lloyd-Jones (JSB)

"And God loved them with all of His heart. And **they** were lovely because He loved them." Sally Lloyd-Jones (Jesus Story Book Bible)



"Sin had come into God's perfect world.
God's children would be always running away
from him and hiding in the dark." Sally Lloyd-Jones (JSB)





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: "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God," -Romans 3:23

"Everything was ready. **The moment God had** been waiting for was here at last! God was coming to help his people, just as he promised in the beginning." Sally Lloyd-Jones (JSB)

BUT..."...in spite of everything, God would love His children – with a Never Stopping, Never Giving Up, Unbreaking, Always and Forever Love." Sally Lloyd-Jones (JSB)

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son," John 3:16

DAY 15

My dwelling place shall be with them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. \*
-Ezekiel 37:27 \*

DAY 291

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to Mary..." And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High." -Luke 1:26-32

DAY 16

"Therefore the **Lord himself will give you a sign.** Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a \* son, and shall **call his name Immanuel**." -lsaiah 7:14

"Mountains would have bowed down. Seas would have roared. Trees would have clapped their hands. But the earth held its breath. As silent as snow falling, He came in. And when no one was looking, in the darkness He came." Sally Lloyd-Jones (JSB)

DAY 177

"For a **child will be born to us**, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called **Wonderful Counselor**, **Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.**" -Isaiah 9:6

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"And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths and laid Him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn." -Luke 2:7

Around 4000 years had passed since God made the promise to Adam and Eve to bring them a Savior! 4000 years of waiting, of suffering, of distance from the God who created them for a personal relationship with Him. 4000 years of promises, of guilty conscience and shame that even the blood of sacrifices couldn't take away. 400 years of not a single word from God to His people, complete silence. AND THEN...Just as He promised...

"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host **praising God and saying,** "GLORY to GOD in the highest, and on earth PEACE among those with whom he is pleased!" Luke 2:13-14

And just like that, in the small and stinky stables, the God of the universe that loves you more than words can say, came to US. This is the day He began to live the human life that we could not live, He loved God in the way that we know we can never love Him. And because He DID, WE can know and experience HIS **Never Stopping, Never Giving Up, Unbreaking, Always and Forever Love for US! "For the wages of sin is death, BUT the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."** Romans 6:23

"But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ - by grace you have been saved - " Ephesians 2:4,5