



Awkward Family Christmas



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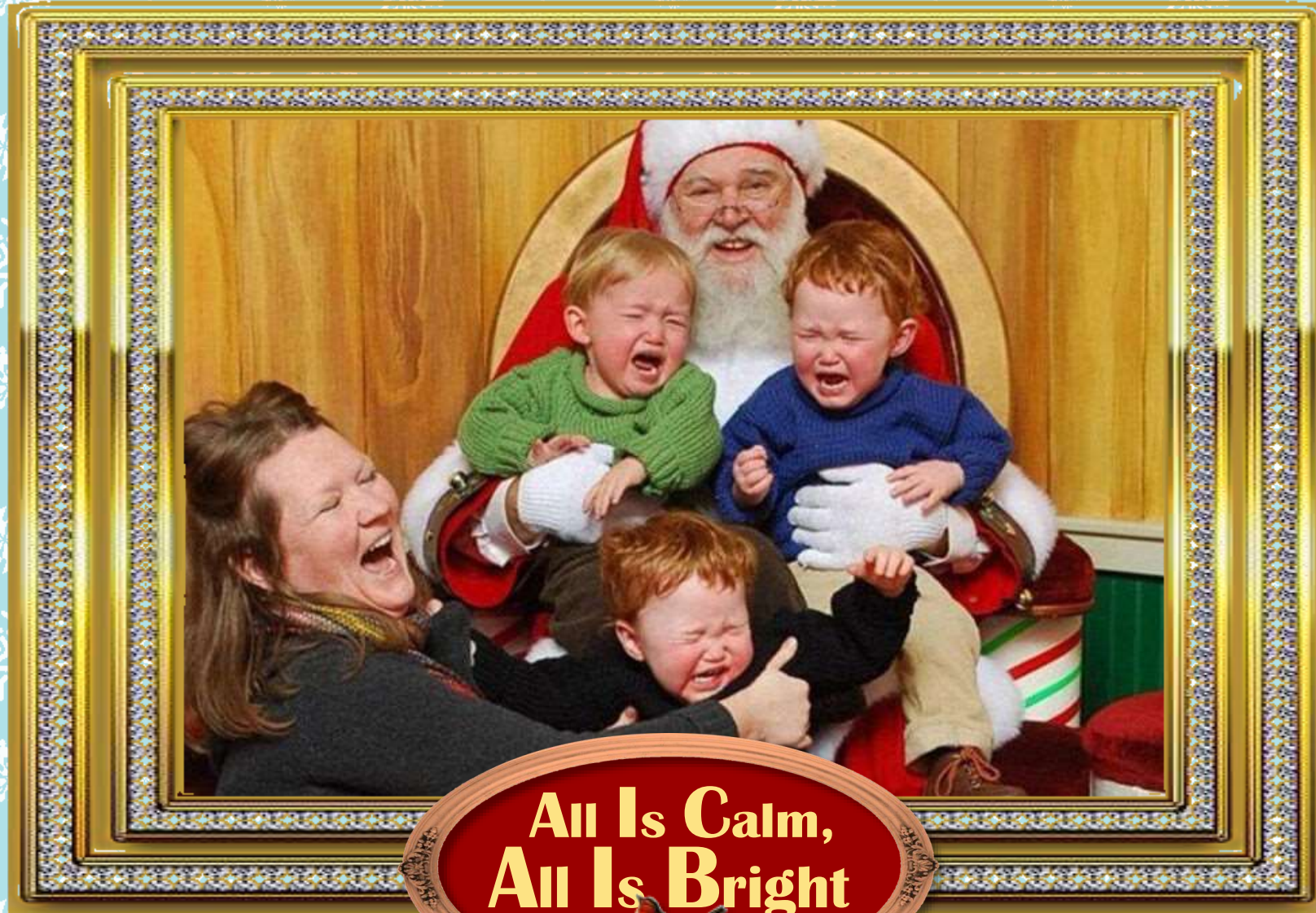
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Luke 1:26-38

God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, ²⁷ to a virgin named Mary. She was engaged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of King David. ²⁸ Gabriel appeared to her and said, “Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you!”²⁹ Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. ³⁰ “Don’t be afraid, Mary,”



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the angel told her, “for you have found favor with God! ³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³² He will be very great and will be ‘called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³ And he will reign over Israel forever; his Kingdom will never end!” ³⁴ Mary asked the angel,





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**“But how can this happen? I am a virgin.”³⁵
The angel replied, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God.
³⁸ Mary responded, “I am the Lord’s servant. May everything you have said about me come true.” And then the angel left her.**



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When Life Takes a Crazy Turn, It Doesn't Mean God's Not in Control!

***NO MATTER HOW CONFUSING
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GOD'S ABILITY TO SEE YOU
THROUGH.***



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Hebrews 10:23

**Let us hold resolutely to the
hope we profess, for He who
promised is faithful.**



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***YOUR OBEDIENCE TO GOD
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Psalm 37:4-5

**Take delight in the Lord, and
he will give you your heart's
desires. Commit everything
you do to the Lord. Trust him,
and he will help you.**



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Matthew 1:18-24

...Mary, was engaged to be married to Joseph. But before the marriage took place, while she was still a virgin, she became pregnant through the power of the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ Joseph, to whom she was engaged, was a righteous man and did not want to disgrace her publicly;



Matthew 1:18-24

so he decided to break off the engagement quietly. ²⁰ As he considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream. “Joseph, son of David,” the angel said, “do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife. For the child within her was conceived by the Holy Spirit.



Matthew 1:18-24

21 And she will have a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.”

22 All of this occurred to fulfill the Lord’s message through his prophet: 23 “Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son, and they will



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call him Immanuel, which means ‘God is with us.’”

24 When Joseph woke up, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded and took Mary as his wife.



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*THE TOUGH SITUATIONS YOU
FACE PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY
FOR YOUR LOYALTY TO GOD AND
YOUR GRACIOUSNESS TOWARD
OTHERS TO BE PUT ON DISPLAY.*



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Galatians 6:9

**Let us not grow tired of doing
what is good, for at the right
time we will reap a harvest—if
we do not give up.**



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***YOUR CHOICE TO DO THE RIGHT
THING IN A DIFFICULT SITUATION
WILL ALWAYS OPEN MORE
DOORS FOR YOU TO BE USED BY
GOD IN A GREATER WAY.***



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Luke 16:10

**Anyone who is found faithful
in little matters can also be
trusted in important
matters...**



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Luke 2:4-7

So Joseph went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child.





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⁶ While they were there, the time came for her to give birth. ⁷ She gave birth to a son... she wrapped him in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no room in the inn.

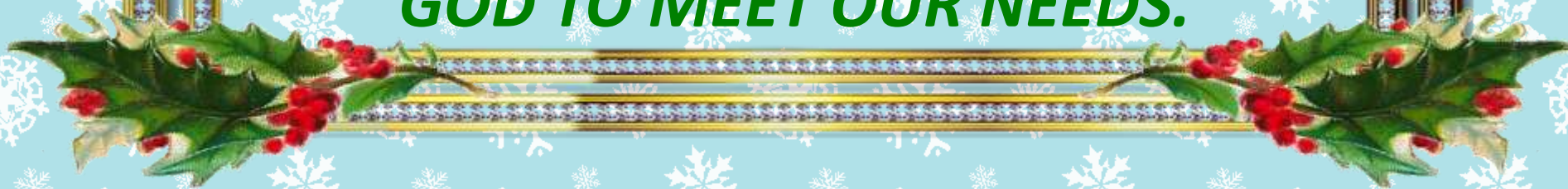


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When Nothing Goes Right, It Doesn't Mean Everything's Wrong!

***THE HUMBLE AND CHALLENGING
CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING
JESUS' BIRTH REMINDS US THAT THIS
LIFE IS NOT ABOUT BEING
COMFORTABLE. IT'S ABOUT TRUSTING
GOD TO MEET OUR NEEDS.***



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Philippians 4:19
**And my God will supply all
your needs according to His
riches in glory in Christ Jesus.**



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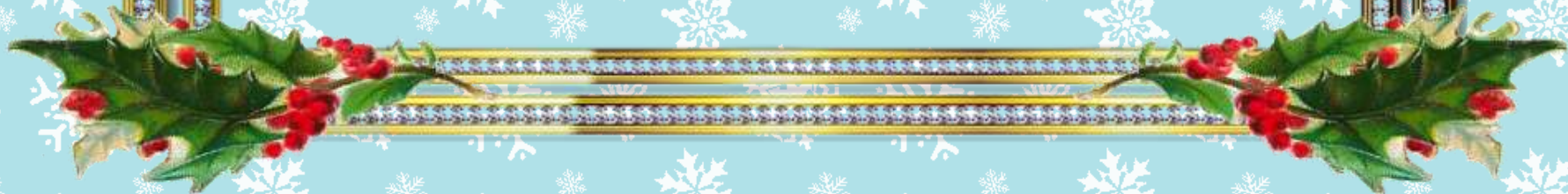
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Ephesians 3:20

**God is able to do far more
than we could ever ask for or
imagine. He does everything
by his power that is
working in us.**



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