

## **“YOU MATTER!”**

### **“What Christmas Says About You” - Part 4**

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#### **3 Ways to live like you matter to God**

##### **1. Receive the truth - that your value is given and not earned.**

**Luke 2:6–7** <sup>6</sup>While they were there, the time came for her baby to be born. <sup>7</sup>She gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him snugly in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no lodging available for them. (NLT)

**John 1:9–12** <sup>9</sup>The one who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. (NLT)

<sup>10</sup>He came into the very world he created, but the world didn't recognize him.

<sup>11</sup>He came to his own people, and even they rejected him.

<sup>12</sup>But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. (NLT)

**John 3:16** “For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. (NLT)

**Ephesians 2:8–9** <sup>8</sup>God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God.

<sup>9</sup>Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it. (NLT)

## **2. Let God **meet you where you actually are - not where you pretend to be.****

**Luke 2:8–9** <sup>8</sup>That night there were shepherds staying in the fields nearby, guarding their flocks of sheep. <sup>9</sup>Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared among them.... (NLT)

**Matthew 11:28** Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. (NLT)

## **3. Reflect God's light by **how you treat the people around you.****

**Matthew 2:9–10** <sup>9</sup>After this interview the wise men went their way. And the star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup>When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! (NLT)

**Philippians 2:3–4** <sup>3</sup>Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves.

<sup>4</sup>Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too. (NLT)

**Romans 5:8** But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.” (NLT)