

The Miracle of Christmas

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.—John 1:14

I stood in the store perusing the Christmas cards. I thought of the lines that glorified our Savior's birth. The one that got my attention was "celebrate the miracle that is Christmas".

I wonder how often, in the midst of holiday festivities, I take time to ponder the account of the miracle of the earthly birth of the Son of God. I am familiar with the trip that Mary and Joseph took to Bethlehem, the lack of accommodations in the inn, the angels' proclamation of the glory of God, the shepherds and the wise men. Familiarity is not the same as meditating on the beautiful miracle of God.

I am challenged in these days leading up to Christmas. I need to make Christ's birth the centerpiece of my plans and celebration. The dictionary defines a miracle as an event in the physical world that transcends the laws of nature. The birth of Christ transcends our natural expectation in so many aspects. This marvelous supernatural event reveals the majesty of God. This Christmas season, we have an opportunity to allow God to reveal more of His glory and pierce our hearts with His love.