

Red and White

⁸Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid. ¹⁰Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. ¹¹For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹²And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger." ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: ¹⁴"Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"

(Luke 2:8-14, NKJV)

Our Sin Is Dark

*Shepherds living out in the **fields**, keeping watch over their flock by **night**.*
(Luke 2:8)

We Are All Outcast

You were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. (Eph. 2:12, NIV)

We Are All Unclean

Our Sacrifice Is Red

The Blood of the Old Covenant

*For the life of the body is in its blood. I have given you the blood on the altar to purify you, making you right with the LORD. It is the **blood, given in exchange for a life**, that makes purification possible. (Lev. 17:11, NLT)*

He was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. (Isaiah 53:5, NIV)

The Blood of the Promised Christ

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. (2 Corinthians 5:21, NIV)

*For there is born to you this day in the city of David a **Savior**, who is Christ the Lord. (Luke 2:11)*

Our Salvation Is White

*Though your sins are like scarlet, I will make them as **white as snow**.*
(Isaiah 1:18, NLT)

The Personal Attention of God

*An angel of the Lord stood before them... Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you **good tidings of great joy** which will be to all people." (Luke 2:9-10)*

The Peace Attained with God

*Glory to God in the highest, And on earth **peace, goodwill** toward men!*
(Luke 2:14)