

Scrooge - Keeping the True Meaning of Christmas

Christmas at the Movies #2 - Pastor Gary Combs - December 11, 2016 - John 3:16-18

John 3:16-18 (ESV) ¹⁶ For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸ Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

How to rightly keep Christmas:

1. Recognize _____ motivated by love.

Romans 5:17 (NIV84) For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!

1 John 4:8-10 (ESV) Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

2. Understand _____ for salvation.

Matthew 1:21-23 (ESV) She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel"

Romans 5:8-9 (NLT) But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. And since we have been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God's condemnation.

3. Receive _____ from condemnation.

Psalms 25:11 (ESV) For your name's sake, O Lord, pardon my guilt, for it is great.