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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

CHRISTMAS

LOVE LIGHT BEAMS

BEARD OF WHITE - NOSE SO BRIGHT

DECK THE HALLS WITH BOUGHS OF IVY

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O CHRISTMAS TREE O CHRISTMAS TREE

I'M DREAMING OF WHITE CHRISTMAS

DASHING THRU THE SNOW

I'LL BE HOME FOR CHISTMAS

YOU CAN COUNT ON ME

PLEASE HAVE SNOW AND MISTLETOE

WITH PRESENTS ON THE TREE

Philippians 4:4

Rejoice in the Lord always I will say it again: Rejoice!

# THE FIRST NOEL

WINTER

## Carols Sing-Along

### The First Noel

The first Noel, the angels did say  
Was to certain poor shepherds  
in fields as they lay  
In fields where they lay,  
they were keeping their sheep  
On a cold winter's  
night that was so deep  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel  
Born is the King of Israel

### Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!

Oh, the weather outside is frightful  
But the fire is so delightful  
And since we've no place to go  
Let it snow! Let it snow! Let it snow!  
But as long as you'd love me so  
Let it snow! Let it snow and snow!

### Merry Christmas To You

Chestnuts roasting on an open fire  
Jack Frost nipping at your nose  
Yuletide carols being sung by a choir  
And folks dressed up like Eskimos  
Everybody knows  
A turkey and some mistletoe  
Help to make the season bright  
Tiny tots with their eyes all aglow  
Will find it hard to sleep tonight  
They know that Santa's on his way  
He's loaded lots of toys and goodies on his sleigh  
And every mother's child is gonna spy  
To see if a reindeer really know how to fly  
And so I'm offering this simple phrase  
To kids from one to 92

Although it's been said many times, many ways

Merry Christmas to you.



WE WISH YOU A  
MERRY CHRISTMAS

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DUE TO ECONOMIC UNCERTAINTY ONLY ONE PRESENT WILL BE LEFT FOR EACH GIRL AND BOY. BE GOOD. LOVE SANTA XXXX PS THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOUR PARENTS.

THE OTHERS LAUGHED & CALLED ME NAMES.

BUT WE HAVE A STRICT NO-BULLY POLICY.

No matter where he went, Bill's evil twin was sure to follow. Never keep up with the Joneses. Drag them down to your level. It's cheaper.

The doctrine of the Kingdom of Heaven, which was the main teaching of Jesus, is certainly one of the most revolutionary doctrines that ever stirred and changed human thought. Show me an unemployed Santa, and I'll show you a ho-ho hobob! Whenever you are angry, be assured that it is not only a present evil, but that you have increased a habit.

### WHAT MUST A SINNER DO TO BECOME A SAINT?

That which a sinner MUST DO to become a saint is the same thing he/she does to be saved or become a Christian. This is called God's "plan of salvation." That is, God has devised a plan whereby men can be saved from their sins. Sinners must obey God's plan in order to be saved from their sins and go to heaven when they die. A thorough study of God's plan reveals five basic steps.

- 1) One must **HEAR** the word of God. Jesus said, "Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me" (John 6:45).
- 2) One must **BELIEVE** the word of God and in Jesus the Christ. Faith comes by hearing God's word (Romans 1:17) and "...without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him" (Hebrews 11:6). Jesus said, "...ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins" (John 8:24). Salvation is found in no other name than the name of Jesus the Christ (John 14:6; Acts 4:12).

3) One must **REPENT** of their sins. Except one repents, he will perish (Luke 13:3,5). "...Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins..." (Acts 2:38). God "...commandeth all men every where to repent" (Acts 17:30).

4) One must **CONFESS** faith in Jesus as the Son of God. "With the mouth, confession is made unto salvation" (Romans 10:10). The man from Ethiopia confessed, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God" (Acts 8:37).

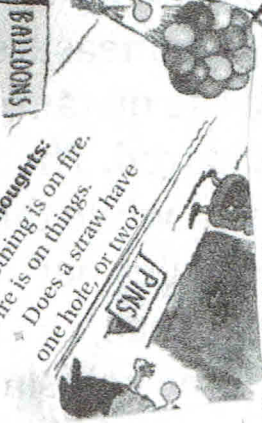
5) One must **BE BAPTIZED** in water for the forgiveness of sins. Jesus said, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved..." (Mark 16:16). Saul was told to "...be baptized, and wash away thy sins..." (Acts 22:16). Water baptism puts one INTO Christ where we become a new man, and at that moment, we are made free (forgiven) from our sins (Romans 6:3-6, 17-18). Baptism saves us (I Peter 3:21).

One must **CONTINUE FAITHFUL** unto the Lord. Only the faithful will be saved (Revelation 2:10; I Corinthians 15:58). One can't obey and then quit.

Have YOU obeyed? Are YOU a saint? Why not today?

Anger is a bad counsellor.

Anger manages everything badly.



**Show your thoughts:**  
 \* Nothing is on fire.  
 \* Fire is on things.  
 \* Does a straw have one hole, or 100?  
 \* PINKS

**A customer** walked up to my window at the post office and handed me a large package. "Look at that," I said, placing the package on a scale. "This weighs as much as my daughter when she was born." The customer shot back, "But I bet she cost a lot more to deliver."

**'Nagging'** is another word with a Scandinavian ancestry. Both Norwegian and Swedish have the word *nagga* meaning 'to gnaw' or to 'irritate'. The description of persistent discomfort as a nagging pain recalls this early meaning and the more common use of 'nagging' to describe relentless irritating scolding is a direct extension.

Christianity is a battle, not a dream.

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 FROM:  
 Grandpa

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hidden wrath that harms.

A BOY excitedly told his parents, "I'm in the church's Christmas play!"

THIS EXPANDED Christmas shopping season is a win for kids. They can sit on Santa's lap and testify about how good they've been, then go home and act wild for a few weeks.

"Which part did you get?" his mother asked. "I'm a wise guy!"

### DECEMBER 24, 1851

#### Fire Ravages Library of Congress

Nearly two-thirds of the Library of Congress's 55,000 volumes went up in flames on Christmas Eve, including most of Thomas Jefferson's personal library. This was the second fire to blaze in the Library of Congress, as the British army had set fire to the Capitol in 1814. Following the Civil War, the Library was greatly expanded and is now the largest library in the world with a staff of more than 3,000.



Generation gap

**MILKY WAY AND ANDROMEDA TO COLLIDE** Do not pack your bags, but there is a huge galactic collision about to take place. The facts are that it is POSSIBLE the two galaxies are moving toward each other, but the instruments to measure the movement of Andromeda are so crude and the distances are so huge that no sure movement can be measured. The two galaxies are 2.5 million light years apart, and while the speed of galactic movement is large at 250,000 miles per hour, we still have roughly 4 billion years before the collision. The distances are so huge that even if the collision did occur, the earth's movement around the sun would be unaffected. The incredible size of the cosmos makes astronomical catastrophes highly unlikely, and all this hype simply demonstrates how big the system actually is.

**GETTING OLD IS GOOD** Those of us who are up in years tend to complain about aches and pains. Wise up and notice that people over 50 are happier than at any other time in their lives. Anger and stress drop off and sadness and fear become less pronounced. The study quotes many people as saying, "I wish I'd learned to enjoy life on a daily basis and enjoy the moment when I was in my 30s instead of in my 60s." If "survival of the fittest" is what you live by, it is hard to be happy when you are less fit than the world around you.

"My smartphone communicates with my smartwatch and smart TV I think they're all calling me stupid behind my back."

THE ROAD TO SUCCESS is dotted with many tempting parking places.

#### CAR ADS EXPLAINED

- "rough condition": too bad to lie about
- "parts car": beyond repair



SOME PARENTS have taken to buying their children batteries for Christmas - with a sign saying "Toys not included."

There's nothing like the Christmas season to put a little bounce in your checks. WHAT SONG do you sing at a snowman's birthday party? "Freeze a Jolly Good Fellow."