Deck The Halls Psalm 96:1-4

We "Deck our Halls" with a variety of <u>Different</u> Things OTHER than <u>Decorations</u>.

<u>MANY</u> "Deck Their Halls" with <u>Loneliness</u> & <u>Sadness</u> or <u>Frustration</u> & <u>Depression</u>.

Let <u>US</u> "Deck Our Halls" with <u>COMPASSION</u> for those who may be <u>Struggling</u> this Christmas...

Today, let's Reflect on WAYS we can Honor the LORD this Christmas.

DECK THE HALLS WITH SINGING.

- If Singing is Something <u>NEW</u> to YOU, that's <u>OKAY</u>. (vv.1-2a)
- **Singing** is a way of **Praising GOD.** (Psalm 95:1-3)
- Praise COMPLETES our Enjoyment. (Psalm 5:11)
- **PEOPLE** are **JUST people**. (Psalm 7:17)
- Has the Lord **Been GOOD to YOU?** (Psalm 13:6)
- Has God ever <u>Lifted</u> your Weakened Spirit? (Psalm 30:11-12)
- Singing is the **Most Fitting Thing** we can do! (Psalm 33:1)

2. DECK THE HALLS WITH SHARING.

- The Bible Encourages Believers to SHARE. (Prov. 22:9. Romans 12:13, Hebrews 13:16, 1 Timothy 6:17-19)
- Instead of <u>Wanting</u> MORE, we should <u>SHARE</u> more of what we HAVE!
- This Christmas, let's FOCUS on HOW we can SHARE More with Others!

3. DECK THE HALLS WITH SERVING.

- <u>Indulging</u> the sinful nature basically <u>Boils</u> <u>Down</u> to <u>being SELFISH</u>. (Galatians 5:13)
- Many people never <u>Think</u> of what they can <u>DO</u> for <u>Others</u>.
- We are Called to be LIKE Christ & Jesus came to SERVE Others. (Matthew 20:26-28)
- Our <u>Compassion</u> for <u>OTHER People</u> ought to be <u>Growing</u>.
- We can <u>ALL Afford</u> to TAKE MORE TIME for <u>OTHERS!</u>
- We must remember <u>People</u>...Jesus <u>Left Heaven</u> for <u>People</u>...for <u>US</u>. (Galatians 6:10. Matthew 20:28)