Deck The Halls...With Transformation Isaiah 9:6-7

When you TRULY <u>Understand</u> the <u>Meaning</u> of Christmas, you WILL BE <u>Transformed</u>.

The Reality is, when JESUS is LEFT OUT of Christmas Nothing Changes.

When we Allow the <u>Light</u> of Jesus Christ to <u>Shine</u> in & through our lives, WE can be <u>Transformed</u> by Christmas & so can <u>Others</u>...

1. CHRISTMAS SHOULD TRANSFORM OUR ATTITUDE.

- Never underestimate the IMPACT of Attitude on our lives.
- We have a <u>CHOICE</u> everyday regarding <u>Attitudes</u> we <u>Embrace</u>.
- LIFE is 10% what HAPPENS & 90% of HOW we REACT to it.
- "Empty Pews" should <u>Be Filled</u> with those who need to <u>Hear about Jesus</u> & <u>Worship</u> the Lord our God.

CHRISTMAS SHOULD TRANSFORM OUR AWARENESS.

- A Joyous Christmas will be <u>Determined</u> by how much we <u>Allow</u> Jesus to be LORD of our <u>Tongues</u> & our <u>Behavior</u>.
- If *God could <u>Plan</u> the Birth of Christ*, He can *Effectively <u>Plan</u> to see us through <u>Problems</u> that <u>Plaque</u> our lives.*
- When the Birth of Jesus <u>Transforms</u> "our view" of how <u>OTHERS</u> Struggle, <u>OUR</u> Christmas <u>Celebration</u> can be <u>Truly Priceless</u>.

3. CHRISTMAS SHOULD TRANSFORM OUR APPROACH.

- Are you willing to risk being MISTREATED for Jesus sake, like Mary & Joseph?
- Are you willing to perhaps have <u>LESS Wealth</u> but be <u>Spiritually Rich</u>, like the Wise Men?
- Are you willing to <u>LEAVE</u> Everything to <u>See Jesus</u> this Christmas, like the Shepherds?
- OR are you like <u>HEROD</u>...<u>Refusing</u> Jesus the <u>Authority</u> over <u>WHAT</u> you want to do, <u>HOW</u> you want to do it & <u>WHEN</u> you want to do it?
- <u>Christmas</u> was intended to <u>Transform</u> OUR lives & the lives of OTHERS & <u>FILL</u> EMPTY PEWS with worshippers.
- Christmas was Intended to be ALL about JESUS.