

Christmas Week, Sunday School Opening

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Making Melody #18 “Christ For Me”

Christ for me

Yes, it's Christ for me.

He's my Saviour, my Lord, and King;

I'm so happy I shout and sing;

Christ for me

Yes, it's Christ for me

Every day as I go my way it is Christ For Me!

Alex Burns

Sunrise on
Christmas
Eve.

I did not see
Santa nor his
reindeer
pulling his
sleigh.

Santa is
famous: a
story in poem
form. Better
watch out,
better not
cry, Better
not pout I am
telling why.



He's
making a
list
And
checking it
twice,
Gonna find
out
Who's
naughty
and nice.
Santa
Claus is
comin' to
town.

This is what I 'made' of Christmas

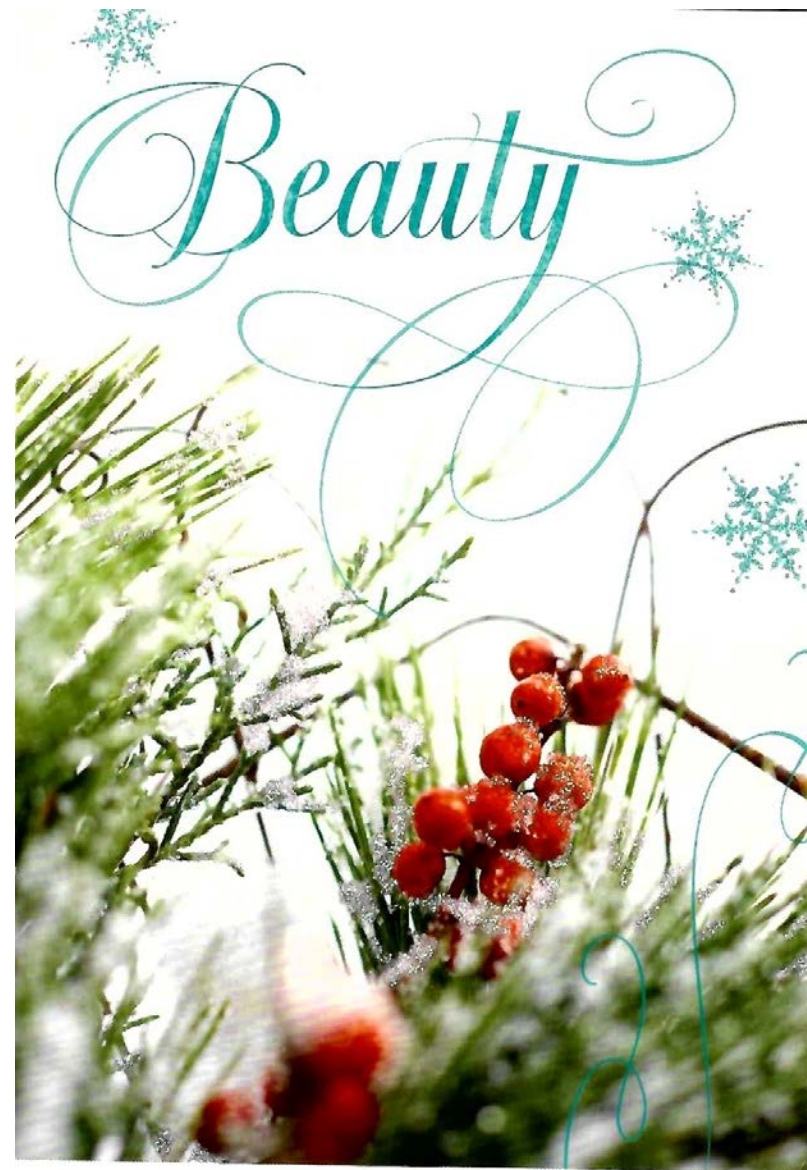
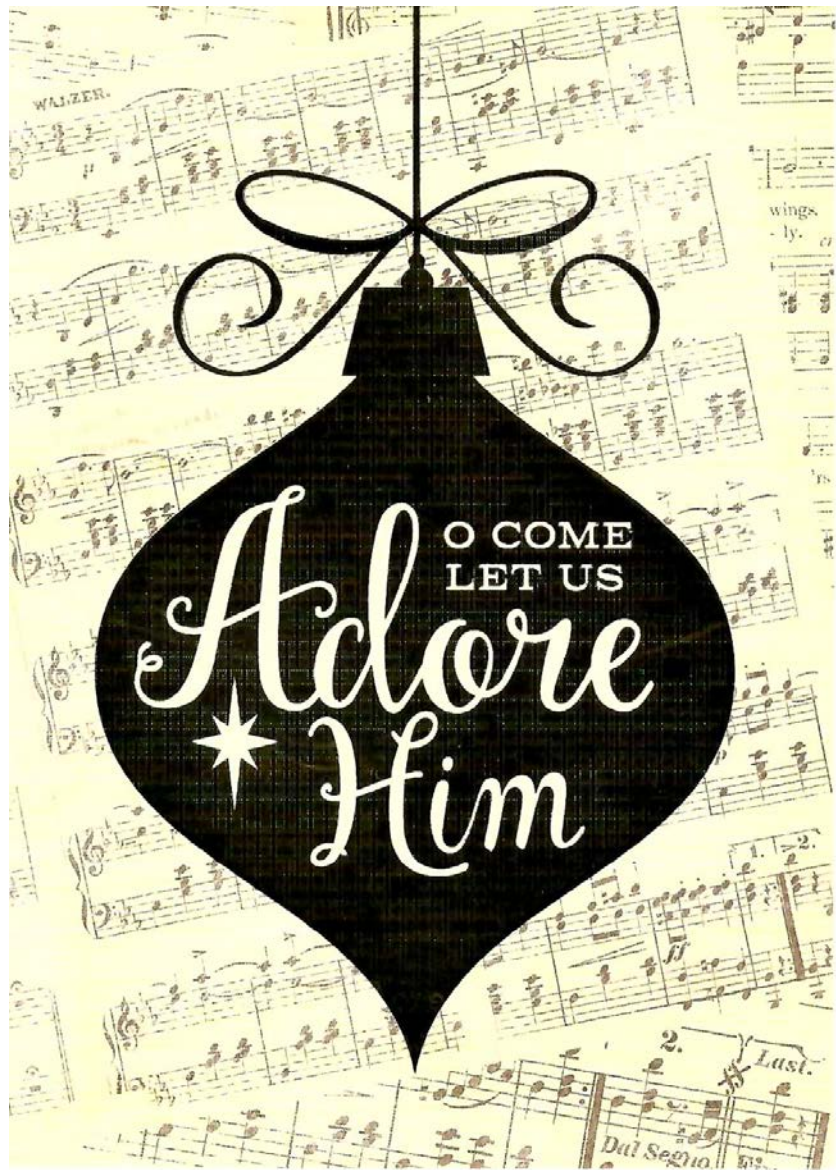
- The world surrounds us with reminders of the season, and most of it is invented, and yet I would like to say this about Christmas.
- It depends on my disposition toward it. Or making use of this world but not dependent on it, nor subject to it.
- It is a time for the sisters to shine with their loving, kind gifts in preparing for the season. Mostly the sisters, the ladies do the planning, shopping, home decorations and food preparation.
- I got out of my comfort zone looking for something that might just work. Humility works here. I mean, approaching it with care, sensitivity, love and the outcome works for creating a *shared* memory, which makes *opportunities to engage and connect*.

Collage of thoughts and doings

- David Jeremiah also delivered the Christmas story of Wise Men.
- We had a family stand around holding hands and the head of the house asked the matriarch of the family to give a blessing, and a blessing she gave!
- Brother Steve Faulkner carried the Biblical ball to the end zone with his weekly meditations. Christ is both the sent One, and the Lamb of God.
- I wrote a narrative to tie together our home decorated with the camels and their journey to the nativity scene.
- I carried the white board cut out of the classic Nativity scene by hand because it does not fit in my car all the way to my office.

Collage of thoughts and doings

- Visited my sister in NYC
- Put up an acetate sign that is imprinted with Luke 2:11
- “Unto you is born in the city of David, a Savior who is Christ the Lord.”
- Christmas Cards came from friends and family, and correspondence from Sister Marg Johnson.
- Bob’s presentation last Lord’s Day on Songs of saints in the advent of Christ.



Senator Grassley

- Friends,
- Barbara and I wish you and your loved ones a very Merry Christmas!
- May this magical time of year bring you and your family joy, peace, and happiness.
- Treasure your sacred traditions around the dinner table and in front of the Christmas tree. We are grateful to celebrate another Christmas together and blessed by your continued prayers and support.
- May the birth of our Lord and Savior continue to bring Light and happiness to you and yours.
- God bless you,
Barbara & Chuck Grassley

Romans 2:16 “Christ will judge the secrets of men’s hearts.”

- Psalms 139: 23 “Search me O God, and know my heart; and try me and know my anxious thoughts; And see if there be any hurtful way in me, and lead me in the everlasting way.” NASB
- I would like to bring out the triad of the Way the Truth and the Life and this verse includes two references to the Way. (We spend more time talking about truth than the way.)

Sunset
December
21, the
Solar
Solstice.

