

Rediscover Christmas: Good News in Troubling Times  
Finding Love in our Differences  
Matthew 2:1-12

The fact that the early Church Fathers included Advent as a significant time on the church calendar indicates that Christmas is more of a journey than a moment. Unfortunately, for too many people, the journey consists of balancing schedules, programs, money, shopping, decorating, trees and a variety of other things that side-track our journey and cause us to miss the moment.

1. Christ is love embodied.
2. Christ is love compelling.
3. Christ is love empowering.

The men who worshiped Jesus that day came under divine protection and were able to carry the good news of Messiah back to their homeland. When we gather and truly worship King Jesus, we come under God's protective care so that we might faithfully fulfill the Great Commission. The good news of the Savior will only be told by those who have truly experienced Him in worship and in love.