

THE SAVIOR—PART 3
“DON’T MISS IT!”
Pastor Andy Shaffer—December 14, 2025

People Miss Christmas Because Of...

1) Busyness (Innkeeper)

Luke 2:6-7—“While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.”

2) Familiarity (Religious Leaders)

Matthew 2:3-5—“When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. When he had called together all the people’s chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. ‘In Bethlehem in Judea,’ they replied, ‘for this is what the prophet has written.’”

Micah 5:2—“But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.”

3) Fear (King Herod)

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If I Don’t Want To Miss Christmas, I Need To...

– STOP: Filling My Life With Less Important Things

Psalm 39:6 (NLT)—“We are merely moving shadows, and all our busy rushing ends in nothing...”

The Big Idea:

We Can Get So Busy Making A Living That We Forget To Make a Life

Psalm 46:10—“Be still and know that I am God...”

– **LOOK: Closely At Why Jesus Came**

Matthew 2:8—“...Go and search carefully for the child...”

Jeremiah 29:13—“You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.”

– **LISTEN: To The Good News Of Christmas**

Luke 2:10-11—“But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.’”

John 10:10—“...I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”

John 3:17—“For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him.”

STOP!

I Peter 2:24 (NCV)—“Christ carried our sins in his body on the cross so we would stop living for sin and start living for what is right...”

LOOK!

Isaiah 45:22 (NLT)—“Let all the world look to me for salvation! For I am God; there is no other.”

LISTEN!

II Corinthians 6:2 (GN)—“Hear what God says: ‘When the time came for me to show you favor, I heard you...I helped you.’ Listen! This is the hour to receive God's favor; today is the day to be saved!”

How Will You Respond?