



The Stories of
CHRISTMAS

Then You Will Know ...

Matt 1:1-2; 5-6; 14-16





A STORY...

**A series of related
past events; a
narrative.**



1. **God's stories have a purpose –**
“Then you will know that I am he ...”



So Jesus said to them, "When you have **lifted up** the Son of Man, **then you will know that I am he**, ... (Jn. 8:28 ESV)



Thus says the LORD: "Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches, 24 but let him who boasts boast in this, **that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD**" (Jer. 9:23-24 ESV)



2. God's stories reveal that divine intervention is His specialty.



3. God's stories reveal He loves to restore the broken to wholeness.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." (Matt. 11:28-30)



**4. God's stories
beg the
question, "Are
we listening"?**



NEXT STEPS.

- 1. What is your “story”?
When did you last tell
your story to help
someone come to
Jesus?**
- 2. Ask God to send you
someone this season.**