

- Jesus is the anointed Prophet (Deut. 18:15; Acts 3:22-24).
- Jesus is the anointed Priest (Heb. 5:1-7).
- Jesus is the anointed King (Isa. 9:7; Rev. 19:16; Lk. 1:32-33).

### *III. The birth of Jesus was God's gift of Himself ("Lord").*

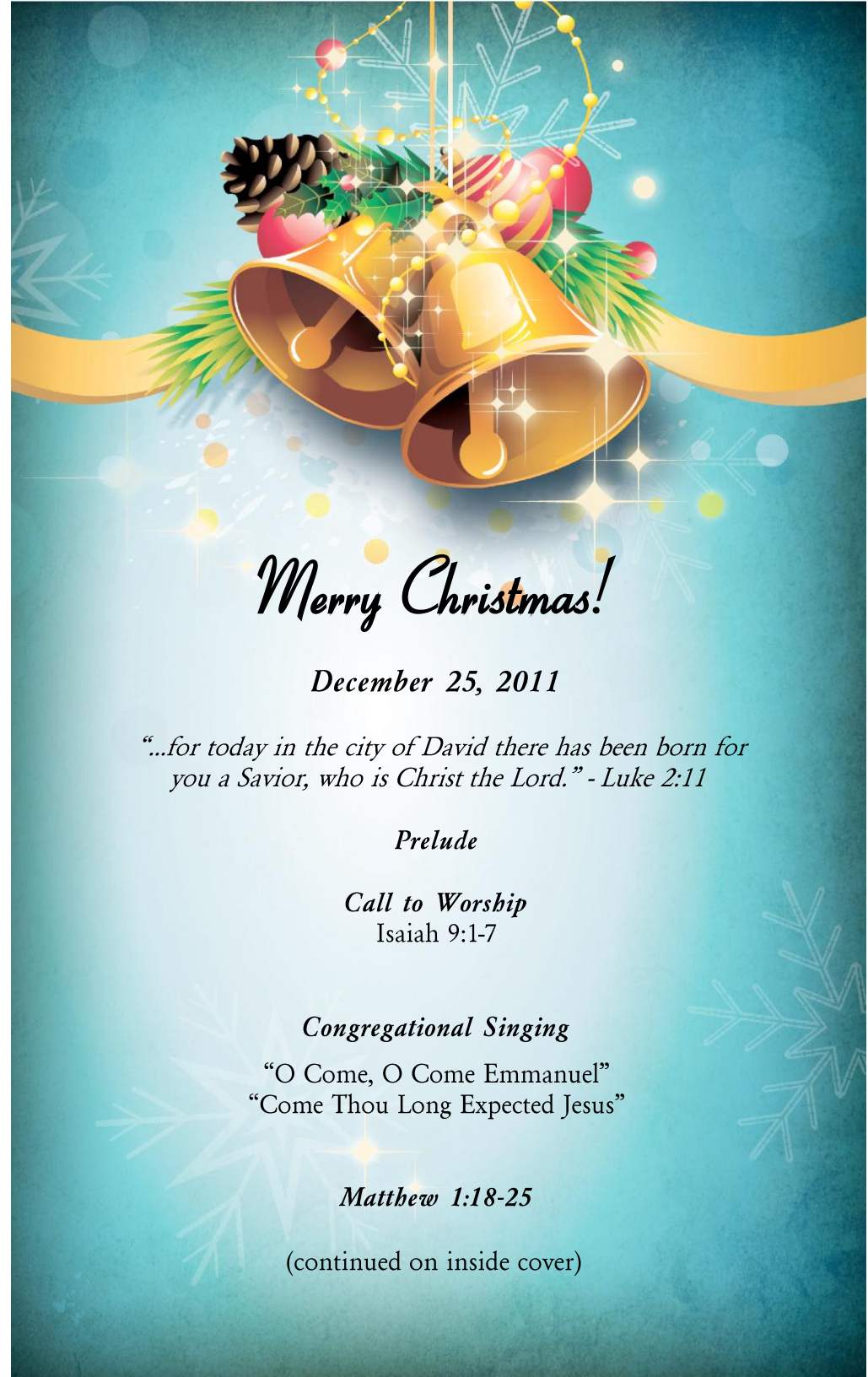
- Jesus was honored with the title of "Lord" (Phil. 2:9).
  - Jesus was declared to be Lord because He was Lord (Rom. 1:3, 4; Acts 2:36).
  - If the New Testament were considered as one sermon, Psalm 110 could be the text for that sermon.
- Jesus was honored with the highest office in the universe because of His victory over sin and death.
  - Jesus is God!

### *How should we then live?*

We are to follow the lead of the angels in our response to the birth of Jesus Christ. What is that?



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# *Merry Christmas!*

*December 25, 2011*

*"...for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." - Luke 2:11*

*Prelude*

*Call to Worship*

*Isaiah 9:1-7*

*Congregational Singing*

*"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"  
"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"*

*Matthew 1:18-25*

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*Congregational Singing*

“O Holy Night”

*Galatians 4:1-7*

*Congregational Singing*

“What Child Is This?”

*Message*

Pastor Dial

*Congregational Singing*

“O Come All Ye Faithful”  
“Hark, the Herald Angels Sing”  
“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

*Reading*

“The Gift of Gifts”

*Congregational Singing*

“Joy to the World”

*Dismiss*

*Postlude*

*A Savior, Who is Christ the Lord*  
*Luke 2:11*

*I. The birth of Jesus was God's gift of a Savior to deliver rebellious, sinful man from the clutches of evil.*

What is the problem of evil?

- Because Jesus is Savior He can deliver us from the evil of sin (Rom. 8:1).
  - What is the cure for sin?
  - “Savior” in the Old Testament
  - “Savior” in the New Testament
- Because Jesus is Savior He can make the evil of suffering bring glory to God (Psa. 119:71; 1 Pet. 1:7).
  - How can this happen?
- Because Jesus is Savior He can deliver us from the evil of death (Psa. 16:11; 1 Cor. 15:55-57).
  - Where sin has been pardoned, death has no sting.

*II. The birth of Jesus was God's gift to Israel of her Messiah (“Christ”).*

- The three offices of Christ - The key to the purpose of the incarnation