



A gold-colored sign with a black background and a gold border, mounted on a light-colored stone wall. The sign features the Macy's logo, which consists of a five-pointed star on the left and the word "macy's" in a lowercase, rounded, sans-serif font on the right. A small five-pointed star is positioned above the letter 'i' in "macy's".

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A red sign with a white star logo and some text, partially visible in the bottom left corner of the image.



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⁸And there were **shepherds** living
out in the fields nearby, keeping
watch over their flocks at **night**.



“Shepherds occupied the lowest rung of the social ladder, and were some of the most despised people in society because they were perpetually unclean.”

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⁹ An angel of **the Lord** appeared to them, and the **glory of the Lord** shone around them, and they were **terrified**. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, “Do not be **afraid**.”

But the LORD God called to the man,
“Where are you?” He answered, “I heard
you in the garden, and I was afraid because
I was naked; so I hid.”

Gen 3:9-10



¹¹ I bring you good news that will
cause great joy for all the people.

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An official announcement or declarations from 'on high' which will lead to significant social and interpersonal change.



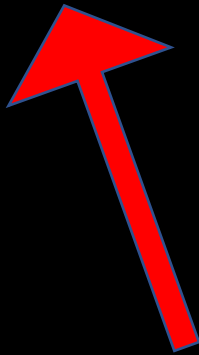
¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.

Savior = *SOTER*

A Soter was one who would bring
Protection, Healing, Wisdom, Provision
Justice and Reconciliation, all done in the
Spirit of Compassion and complete
Sovereignty



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Messiah = *The CHRIST*

The Messiah would be the fulfillment of all God's promises to Israel and the World-one who would usher in a never ending kingdom.



¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby **wrapped** in cloths and lying in a **manger**.



“There is one thing all mangers have in common: they are
cold, dark and dirty!”



“Then they took Jesus, wrapped him in linen cloth and placed it in a tomb cut from rock, one in which no one had yet been laid.”

Luke 23:53

“Christ suffered for our sins once for all time. He never sinned, but he died for sinners to bring you safely home to God.”

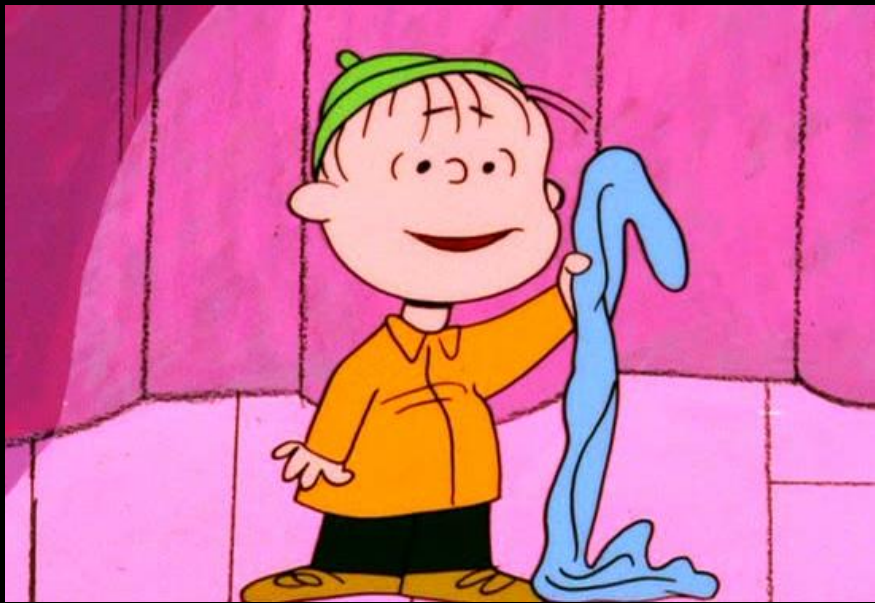
1 Peter 3:18

¹³ Suddenly a great **company** of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

¹⁴ “Glory to God in the highest **heaven**,
and on earth peace to those on whom **his**
favor rests.”

*So what difference
does this make?*





"The birth of Jesus allows us to simply drop the false security we have been grasping so tightly, and learn to trust and cling to Him instead."



Through trust in Jesus we go from...

Outsiders to *Insiders*

Darkness to *Light*

Fear to *Favored*

“Joy to the world...

Let the earth receive her king...

*Let every **heart** prepare him room!”*

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