



# FOR UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN. UNTO US A SON IS GIVEN.

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Dear Friends and Co-Laborers,

At this joyous season of the year we want to take the time to greet you in that "Name which is above every name" and before which every knee shall ultimately bow – either as Saviour or as Judge.

Some five centuries before the birth of the Lord Jesus in Bethlehem the prophet Zechariah prophesied concerning the coming of Messiah "out of him [the house of Judah] came forth the corner, out of him the nail, out of him the battle bow..." (Zech. 10:4). Therein was a three-fold portrait of the One Who would be the Corner Stone, the secure Holder of all things and the Warrior-King.

Two centuries before this the prophet Isaiah had prophesied concerning the coming Messiah, "I will fasten Him as a nail in a sure place, and He shall be for a glorious throne to His Father's house. And they shall hang upon Him all the glory of His Father's house" (Isa. 22:23-24). The curious designation of the Lord Jesus as "Nail" may seem to be strange or incongruous, but we came to understand its significance from our time in the Marshall Islands. Many houses had little in the way of closets or cabinets, but the house would have nails in the wall or on a post in the house on which household possessions would be hung for all to see. Isaiah builds on that figure saying, "They shall hang upon Him all the glory of His Father's house."

Truly "when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son" and on Him hung all the attributes and perfections of Deity, for He was God come in the flesh. John would put it this way: "The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth."

We count it a privilege to be laborers together with so many of you in His Name. Please accept our heartfelt gratitude for your interest, prayer, and support as we go in the cause of our Lord Jesus.

In this past busy year, we have had the privilege of meeting and talking with many young people who are in training for the Lord's service. We expect to be in more fundamental Bible colleges and seminaries in coming months. Also, we have had opportunities in numbers of Missions Conferences and pulpit supply. We see other opportunities in the future. Please continue to pray.

To each of you all we extend our desires for a blessed Christmas season and a New Year in which He may be glorified through you.

In the service of the King,

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