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Still Celebrating!

A MESSAGE SERIES
ABOUT WHY CHRISTMAS
IS STILL CELEBRATED
SINCE 2,000 YEARS AGO



A CHRISTMAS AT HEART PRODUCTION

MISS JOY IN LOCKDOWN

24 DECEMBER 2021

8PM



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MUSIC BY ENCP WORSHIP DIRECTED AND EDITED BY ENCP WORSHIP AND MEDIA TEAM

Humans can live
40 days without **food**,
4 days without **water**,
4 minutes without **air**,
4 seconds without **hope**.



HOW TO HAVE A “**JOHN 10:10**” ABUNDANT LIFE?



John 10:10 ESV

*“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may **have life** and have it **abundantly.**”*



WHAT IS **ABUNDANT LIFE** TO YOU ?

WHAT *IS NOT* AND WHAT *IS* ABOUT ABUNDANT LIFE



WHAT IS LIFE ALL ABOUT?



The
MYTH
of an
Abundant
Life

Does Abundant life mean :

- **Wealth and Comfort?**
- A life filled with **Activities?**
- About **Longevity?**
- Etc.



Ecclesiastes 2:10-11 NLT

10 Anything I wanted, I would take.

I denied myself no pleasure.

I even found great pleasure in hard work, a reward for all my labors.

11 But as I looked at everything I had worked so hard to accomplish, it was all so meaningless—like chasing the wind. There was nothing really worthwhile anywhere.



WHAT DOES
“**JOHN 10:10**”
REALLY MEAN?



John 10:1 ESV

*“Truly, truly, I say to you, **he who does not enter** the sheepfold **by the door** but climbs in by another way, **that man is a thief and a robber.**”*



Jesus
WARNED
us about
the *thief*!

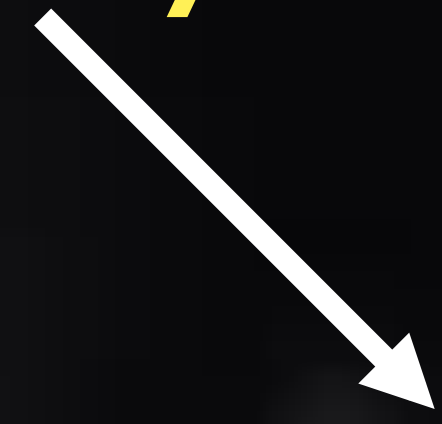
What does the *thief* do?

- The *thief* enters **not by** the door;
- The *thief* comes to **Steal, Kill and Destroy;**



John 10:10 ESV

“The *thief* comes only to *steal* and *kill* and *destroy*.”



In Gk = “kleptes”

=

A thief who steal
by stealth (in
secret);

The devil is Kleptomaniac!

In Gk = “klepto”

=

To take, to steal
secretively;

In Gk = “thuo”

=

To kill as a sacrifice
and offer on an
altar;

In Gk = “apollumi”

=

To destroy and
destroy utterly;



WHY DO WE STILL CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS ?



BECAUSE
I JESUS CAME



BECAUSE
#1 JESUS CAME
#2 SO THAT YOU
MAY HAVE LIFE



In Florence, Italy
A young artist;
A marble statue (perfect in every way);
Ask Michelangelo to examine;
Young artist waited;
“It lacks only one thing.”



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BECAUSE
#1 JESUS CAME
#2 SO THAT YOU
MAY HAVE LIFE
#3 and HAVE LIFE
ABUNDANTLY



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| ,su:pəkəlɪfrədʒɪlɪstɪk,ɛkspɪəlɪ'dəʊʃəs **|** (also **super-califragilistic**)

adjective *informal*

extraordinarily good; wonderful: *the only word to characterize Kepler's discoveries was 'Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious' | a supercalifragilistic day of fun.*

ORIGIN

1930s: apparently a fanciful formation based on **super**, popularized by the 1964 film *Mary Poppins*.



WHAT IS THE MEANING OF “**ABUNDANT LIFE**”?



John 10:10 ESV

*“I came that they may have **life** and have it **abundantly**.”*

*In Gk = “**Zoe**”
= God’s kind of life;
(Both physical and
spiritual) it always comes
from and is sustained by
God’s self-existent life.*

*In Gk = “**perissos**”
= bountifully, plentifully,
excessively, exceedingly,
vehemently,
extraordinary;*



**“JESUS CAME
THAT THEY MIGHT EMBRACE
AN UNRIVALED, UNEQUALED,
MATCHLESS,
INCOMPARABLE,
RICHLY LOADED
OVERFLOWING MAXIMUM LIFE.”**



Have you
experience

...

I. GOD'S ABUNDANCE
GRACE ?



I Timothy 1:12-14 ESV

*“I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, **because** he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, **though** formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. **But** I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, **and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me** with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.*”





Have you
experience

...

2. GOD'S ABUNDANCE
PEACE ?



Jeremiah 33:6-9 NIV

“Nevertheless, I will bring health and healing to it; I will heal my people and will let them enjoy **abundant peace and security**. I will bring Judah and Israel back from captivity and will rebuild them as they were before. I will cleanse them from all the sin they have committed against me and will forgive all their sins of rebellion against me.



Jeremiah 33:6-9 NIV

*Then this city **will bring** me renown, joy, praise and honor before all nations on earth that hear of all the good things I do for it; and they will be in awe and will tremble at **the abundant prosperity and peace** I provide for it.'*



Have you
experience

...

3. GOD'S ABUNDANCE
GOODNESS ?



Psalm 145:3-7 NIV

³ *Great is the Lord* and most worthy of praise; his *greatness* no one can fathom.

⁴ One generation **commends** your works to another; they **tell** of your *mighty acts*.

⁵ They **speak** of *the glorious splendor* of your majesty -and I will **meditate** on your *wonderful works*.



Psalm 145:3-7 NIV

*6 They **tell** of the power of your awesome works — and I will **proclaim** your great deeds. 7 They **celebrate** your **abundant goodness** and joyfully **sing** of your righteousness.*



Someone said this : **“People who enjoy the *abundant life* will possess all of these qualities: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control, compassion, purity, humility, modesty, faith, character, wisdom, enthusiasm, dignity, optimism, confidence, honesty, and a relationship with God.”**



Have you
experience
...

4. GOD'S ABUNDANCE
OF **EVERYTHING**
YOU NEED?



2 Peter 1:3 NLT

*By his divine power, **God has given us everything we need** for living a godly life. We have **received** all of this by coming to know him, the one who **called** us to himself by means of his **marvelous** glory and excellence.*



**BUT HOW TO LIVE
A “JOHN 10:10”
ABUNDANT LIFE?**



**#1 : KNOW
THAT JESUS
IS YOUR
SHEPHERD &
YOU ARE HIS
SHEEP**



John 10:2 ESV

But he who enters by the door is
the shepherd of the sheep.



John 10:11-13 ESV

„I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd ***lays down his life*** he for the sheep. ¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.



John 10:14-16 ESV

"I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.



- A good shepherd
- **lays** down his life for his sheep!
 - **guides**, leads, feeds, gathers and protects his sheep!
 - **knows** every single one of his sheep & other sheep!

Jesus
Our True Shepherd

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**#2 : RECOGNIZE
HIS VOICE AND
HE CALLS YOU
BY NAME**



John 10:3 ESV

To him the gatekeeper opens.

*The sheep **hear his voice**,
and **he calls** his own sheep **by
name** and **leads** them out.*



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Ugandan cows know their names

A Ugandan woman has been reunited with her cows who recognised her voice and followed her.



Cattle rustling is a major problem in north-east Uganda

She lives in the Karamoja region, in north-eastern Uganda, which sees frequent clashes between rustlers and the army.

The army is accused of using a heavy-handed approach in dealing with the cattle-owning Karamojong, but have begun trying to reunite herders with their stolen cattle.

The BBC's Nathan Etungu witnessed the process beginning in a village north of Mbale.

Name calling

He told the BBC's Network Africa that when an elderly woman stood before the herd a remarkable thing happened.

She called her cows by name and to the amusement of the soldiers, as each cow heard her voice, it lifted its head and then followed her.

As far as the army was concerned, it was as strong a proof of ownership as one could get.

For others however, the process was slightly easier.

Under a government scheme, some have branded their cows to make identification straightforward.

A senior army officer said operations to capture and return stolen cattle would continue.

The army has been involved in a long and fraught process to disarm the Karamojong to try to discourage cattle thefts.

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#3 : CHOOSE TO FOLLOW JESUS



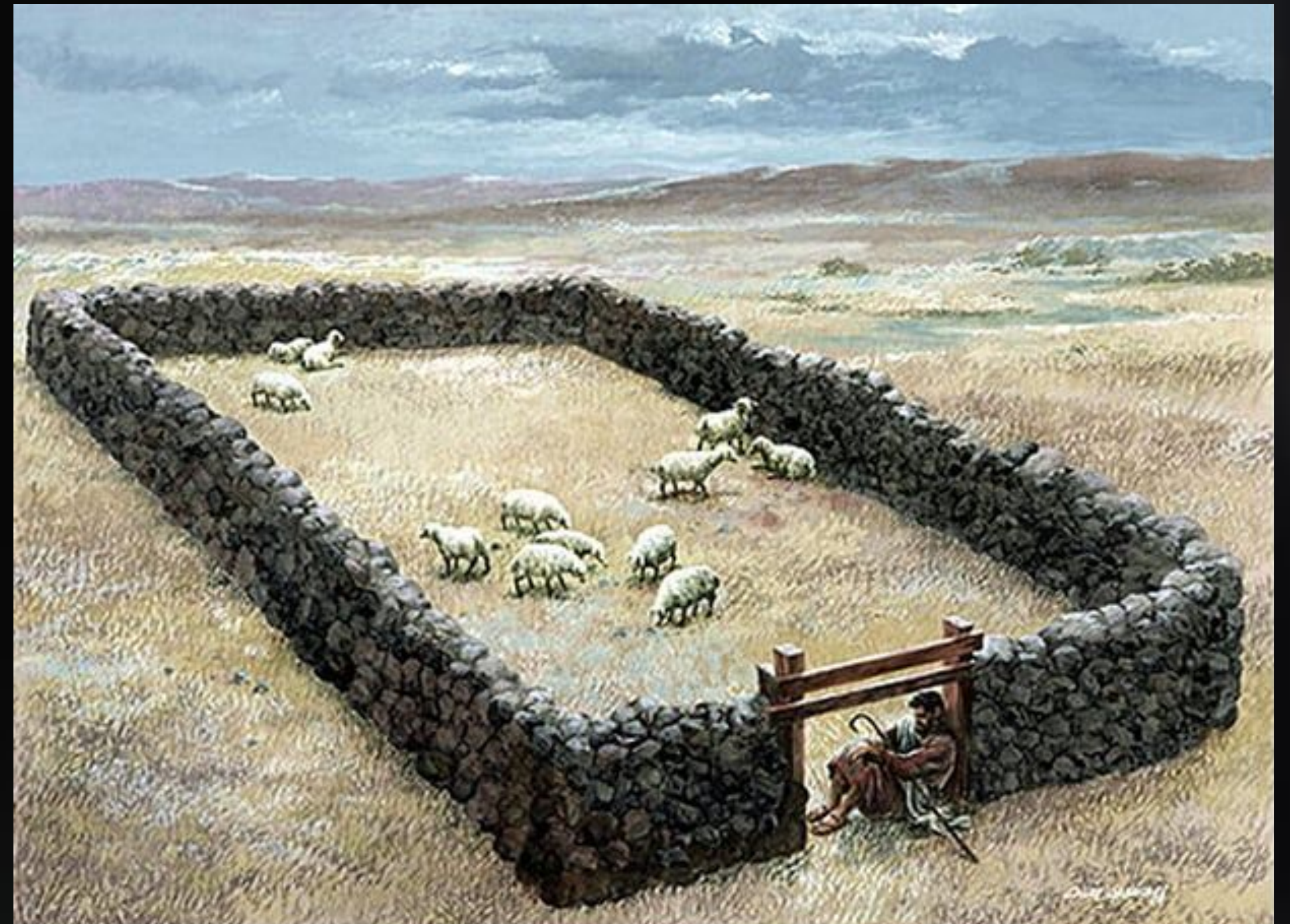
John 10:4-5 ESV

*When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and **the sheep follow him**, for they know his voice. **A stranger they will not follow**, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.”*



John 10:7-9 ESV

So Jesus again said to them,
“Truly, truly, I say to you, **I am the door of the sheep.** All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. **I am the door.** If anyone enters by me, **he will be saved** and will go in and out and find pasture.



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***The Lord is my shepherd.
I shall lack nothing.***

Psalm 23:1



A shepherd with a staff leading a large flock of sheep through a field. The shepherd is seen from behind, wearing a dark jacket and a hat, holding a long, curved staff. The sheep are densely packed, filling the foreground and middle ground. The background shows a hazy, mountainous landscape under a soft, golden light, suggesting a sunrise or sunset.

***Jesus came so that you may have life
and have it abundantly.”***

John 10:10b

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Celebrating!**