



# Christmas 2006

"Season's Greetings"

"A Gift of Love"

"From The Lord, and Me"

Compiled by Jesus Christ and Recorded by  
"The Lion King"  
Daniel 7:4

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It is now 3:17 am, the fourth watch, the 20th day of December in the year of Our Lord Jesus Christ 2006. Blessed is the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. For there is no name under the Heavens or on Earth that one might be saved.

To the Glory of God and My Lord Jesus Christ, The Messiah, The Holy One, and the advancement of the Kingdom.

Amen.

Read this message in it's entirety:

“The holiest of all holidays,  
are kept by ourselves in silence and apart;  
The secret anniversaries of the Heart”.

Longfellow

Christmas, that great celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ.

In the Spirit of the Season, we bring to you a classic rendition of “Twas The Night Before Christmas” originally penned in 1823 by Clement Clarke Moore. Here is a brief history on Mr. Moore and His poem “Twas The Night Before Christmas”:

Clement Clarke Moore's famous poem, which he named "A Visit From St. Nicholas," was published for the first time on December 23, 1823 by a New York newspaper, the Sentinel. Since then, the poem has been reprinted, translated into innumerable languages and circulated throughout the world.

Clement Clarke Moore was born in 1779 to a well-known New York family. His father, Reverend Benjamin Moore, was president of (what is now) Columbia University and was the Episcopal Bishop of New York. Moore's father also participated in George Washington's first inauguration and gave last rites to Alexander Hamilton after Hamilton was mortally wounded in an 1804 duel with Aaron Burr. Moore himself was an author, a noted Hebrew scholar, spoke five languages, and was an early real-estate owner and developer in Manhattan.

Despite his accomplishments, Clement Clarke Moore is remembered only for "'Twas the Night Before Christmas," which legend says he wrote on Christmas Eve in 1822 during a sleigh ride home from Greenwich Village after buying a turkey for his family. Some say the inspiration for Moore's pot-bellied St. Nicholas was the chubby, bewhiskered Dutchman who drove Moore to Greenwich Village to

buy his holiday turkey. Moore never copyrighted his poem, and only claimed as his own over a decade after it was first made public.

Moore read the poem to his wife and six children the night he wrote it, and supposedly thought no more about it. But a family friend heard about it and submitted the poem to the Sentinel, a newspaper in upstate New York, which published it anonymously the following Christmas. Moore's poem immediately caught the attention and imagination of the state, then the nation, and then the world. Finally, in 1844, he included it in a book of his poetry. Moore died in 1863 and is buried in Trinity Church Cemetery in lower Manhattan, New York.

Now "Twas The Night Before Christmas":

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house  
not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.  
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,  
in hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there.

The children were nestled all snug in their beds,  
while visions of sugar plums danced in their heads.  
And Mama in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,  
had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap.

When out on the roof there arose such a clatter,  
I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter.  
Away to the window I flew like a flash,  
tore open the shutter, and threw up the sash.

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow  
gave the lustre of midday to objects below,  
when, what to my wondering eyes should appear,  
but a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer.

With a little old driver, so lively and quick,  
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.  
More rapid than eagles, his coursers they came,  
and he whistled and shouted and called them by name:  
"Now Dasher! Now Dancer!  
Now, Prancer and Vixen!

On, Comet! On, Cupid!  
On, Donner and Blitzen!  
To the top of the porch!  
To the top of the wall!  
Now dash away! Dash away!  
Dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,  
when they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky  
so up to the house-top the coursers they flew,  
with the sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas too.

And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof  
the prancing and pawing of each little hoof.  
As I drew in my head and was turning around,  
down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.

He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,  
and his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot.  
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,  
and he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.

His eyes--how they twinkled! His dimples, how merry!  
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!  
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,  
and the beard on his chin was as white as the snow.  
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,  
and the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath.  
He had a broad face and a little round belly,  
that shook when he laughed, like a bowl full of jelly.

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,  
and I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself.  
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head  
soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,  
and filled all the stockings, then turned with a jerk.  
And laying his finger aside of his nose,  
and giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,  
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle.  
But I heard him exclaim, as he drove out of sight,  
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"

At the time of this writing as you are all aware of, the Gregorian year of 2006 is drawing to a close. The Holiday Season is upon us, and shortly many will be gathering together with their loved ones in celebration of the birth of Christ.

2006 has been quite the year here at Phoenix Seven, and those of you familiar with the writings and teachings here, can quite attest to that. For God has granted us here abundant blessings and His infinite wisdom, knowledge and grace this past year, and has assured me that it will continue onward in the year 2007. And in the years to come.

There have been many great truths that we have passed on to you this past year. And within those great truths, contained within those great spiritual truths is true faith. And faith, next to love is perhaps the greatest gift God could ever bestow upon His people. For it is of faith, the true faith, that man is justified within His Eyes.

So this Christmas Holiday Season, it is our prayer here at Phoenix Seven, that you find that "true faith", in your stockings hung by the chimney with care.

A "great gift" left for you there.

**So then faith *cometh* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. - Romans 10:17**

And within that "great gift" of "true faith", you will find grace.

**Therefore *it is* of faith, that *it might be* by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all, - Romans 4:16**

Perhaps for many of you, one of the greatest truths for you to grasp, this past year is that great truth of the First Resurrection.

**And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.** - Revelation 20:4-6

That great truth of the First Resurrection. And at the return of Jesus Christ.

Yes beloved, He will return. Yes, He is coming back. Glory to God! He is coming back.

The great truth of the First Resurrection, of the return of Christ, and the "Catching Up of the Saints". This is the resurrection, this is at the first resurrection.

**Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.**

You see beloved, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE to have a catching up of the "saints", or as you prefer, "The Rapture", without having the "Dead In Christ Will Rise First". And as God so guides, He just has shown you where the Word of God tells you when the "FIRST" Resurrection will take place. Most all of you today, that embrace the pre-tribulation rapture of the Church, "miss" or perhaps as God now so prompts "miss the mark" of this great truth. There is only one "first" resurrection. Anything before that...as He now so prompts is "0" "Zero" resurrection. None.

**For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive *and* remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.**

**For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: - 1 Thessalonians 4:14-16**

This is the resurrection, this is at the “first” resurrection. There is only ONE FIRST RESURRECTION.

**Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. - 1 Thessalonians 4:17**

**For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. - 1 Corinthians 15:53-54**

You see beloved, those that are beheaded for the witness of Jesus in the tribulation, will be a part of that great “First Resurrection, along with as Paul so spoke “those that sleep”. Those that are dead, “In Christ” shall rise again, and then reign with Him one thousand years. The Millennium Reign.

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Much that you have missed is the “truth of the last trump” of God. For here again scripture tells us that it will occur at “the last trump”. The last trump being, the last of the Seven trumps of God, during the tribulation. And as seen here in the Book of Revelation.

**And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud *one* sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe. And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped.**  
- Revelation 14:14-16

At the “Last Trump”. The First Resurrection. For immediately afterward the “winepress” is prepared.

**And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle. And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe. And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast *it* into the great winepress of the wrath of God.**

**And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand *and* six hundred furlongs.** - Revelation 14:17-20

Note that I have underlined, “Winepress was Trodden”. It too is seen in scripture here: Make note of the wine press at the end of the verses, The One on the White Horse for those of you that do not know this, is Jesus Christ, THE RETURN OF JESUS CHRIST:

**And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness**

he doth judge and make war. His eyes *were* as a flame of fire, and on his head *were* many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he *was* clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies *which were* in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he hath on *his* vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. - Revelation 19:11-16

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*“and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS”.*

The Church is “Caught Up” before the Winepress of the Wrath of God.

But not before “The Tribulation”.

**These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.** - The Gospel According to John 16:33

You shall have Tribulation. But be of “Good Cheer”. “Christmas Cheer”. For Christ has overcome the World.

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**The Church is “Caught Up” before “the Winepress of the Wrath of God”.**

**Therefore let us not sleep, as *do* others; but let us watch and be sober.**

**For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.**

**But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, - 1 Thessalonians 5:6-9**

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**“For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.”**

**Woe to the crown of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim, whose glorious beauty *is* a fading flower, which *are* on the head of the fat valleys of them that are overcome with wine! Behold, the Lord hath a mighty and strong one, *which* as a tempest of hail *and* a destroying storm, as a flood of mighty waters overflowing, shall cast down to the earth with the hand. The crown of pride, the drunkards of Ephraim, shall be trodden under feet: - Isaiah 28:1-3**

**“For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.”**

**And shall begin to smite *his* fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the drunken; The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for *him* , and in an hour that he is not aware of, And shall cut him asunder, and appoint *him* his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. -  
The Gospel According to Matthew 24:49-51**

And now all of this we have covered this morning, in the very words of Jesus Christ:

**For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.**

**Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.**

**And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. - The Gospel According to Matthew 24:28-31**

**And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;**

**Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.**

**And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees; When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand.**

**So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand. - The Gospel According to Luke 21:25-31**

I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:

Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any *man* preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ. But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.

For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught *it*, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ. -

Galatians 1:6-12

And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all *men*, apt to teach, ....patient, :)

In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; And *that* they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will. - 2 Timothy 2:24-26

You see beloved, one of the things God has shown me this year, is those that teach falsely of the pre-tribulation “rapture” of the saints, erred from the truth from the “true faith”, started when the dispensationalist teaching emerged over a hundred years ago. About the same time, the Missionary Baptists, adopted their “Landmarkism Heresy”. And too fell yet farther, from true faith.

As have a gentile church of 280 denominations, 280 different faiths. Of course that attack by Satan, was immediate, in dividing the Church.

**There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.** - Ephesians 4:4-5

This attack by my arch enemy Satan, "Through Deception" of the Church, occurred about the same time. Prior to that and the teaching of the early Church, was exactly what I have shown you here this morning in scripture.

The teaching of the early church, was only that "Jesus Christ would return". And of course Paul the Apostle, inspired by God, shed light upon that subject, along with the "catching up of the saints", within that scripture.

I pray that God has shed some light to you this Christmas.

*"So this Christmas Holiday Season, it is our prayer here at Phoenix Seven, that you find that "true faith", in your stockings hung by the chimney with care. A "great gift" left for you there.*

***So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.*** - Romans 10:17

*And within that "great gift" of "true faith", you will find grace."*

I have nothing under my tree to offer you this Christmas. I have nothing under my tree. All I can offer to you is a gift of my love that I have for you all, and the great gift that God and my Lord Jesus Christ, have given me.

This Christmas season it is all I can offer you is my love, and the greatest gift God ever gave the World: His precious Son, The Son of God; Jesus Christ.

So my wife and I wish you and all of your families, a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy Holiday Season.

“So this Christmas Holiday Season, it is our prayer here at Phoenix Seven, that you find that faith, in your stockings hung by the chimney with care. A “great gift” left for you there.

**So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. - Romans 10:17**

And within that “great gift” of faith, you will find grace.”

Merry Christmas,

Jeffrey Jackson  
“The Phoenix”

And the Family of Phoenix Seven

**By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith. - Hebrews 11:7**

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,  
and filled all the stockings, then turned with a jerk.  
And laying his finger aside of his nose,  
and giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.

But I heard him exclaim, as he drove out of sight,

**“So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing  
by the word of God”.**

**"Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"**

“Please feel free to distribute this to all of your loved ones this holiday season.

For as all the files and writings here at Phoenix Seven they are free; a gift. For the perfect Word of God is not only a guideline to live by, but too a gift. It is free never at any charge.

As the gift of my love, and His great love, "No Charge".

Free. Like salvation in our Lord Jesus Christ; and the gift of faith; and the gift of grace. Free a gift. But one that was bought and paid for by a dear price. "It Didn't Come Cheap".

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by the word of God".**

**"Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"**

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## **Christmas Is Love**

"Alabama"

It's that time of year when the whole world is heart to heart  
You can feel love all around you, you can see it everywhere

Christmas is love, it's in the songs we're singing  
Christmas is love, it's families comin' home  
Christmas is love, it's on the children's faces  
Christmas is love

Christmas is love, a warm and friendly feeling  
Christmas is love, hear the church bells ring  
Christmas is love, it's sharing in the giving  
Christmas is love

We all gather 'round, watch the lights dancing on the tree  
The spirit of the season, you feel it in the air

Christmas is love, it's in the songs we're singing  
Christmas is love, it's families comin' home  
Christmas is love, it's on the children's faces

Christmas is love, a warm and friendly feeling  
Christmas is love, just hear the church bells ring  
Christmas is love, it's sharing in the giving  
Christmas is love, Christmas is love, Christmas is love

But I heard him exclaim, as he drove out of sight,

**“So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing  
by the word of God”.**

**"Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"**

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**“Let brotherly love continue. Be not forgetful to entertain  
strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares”.**

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It is now 5:40 pm, the 20th day of December in the year of Our Lord  
Jesus Christ 2006. Blessed is the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. For  
there is no name under the Heavens or on Earth that one might be  
saved.

To the Glory of God and My Lord Jesus Christ, The Messiah, The  
Holy One, and the advancement of the Kingdom.

Amen.

Now let us begin...

“A Gift of Love 2”

“Yes Virginia, there is a Santa Clause”.

## Is There a Santa Claus?

*From the Editorial Page of The New York Sun,  
written by Francis P. Church, September 21, 1897*

We take pleasure in answering thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of *The Sun*:

"Dear Editor--I am 8 years old.

"Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

"Papa says, 'If you see it in *The Sun*, it's so.'

"Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?

Virginia O'Hanlon

115 West Ninety-fifth Street

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the scepticism of a sceptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

*Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.* He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if you did not see

Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, *but* that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus.

The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see.

Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

(End of Letter Excerpt)

“Yes Virginia, There Is A Santa Claus”, was originally published by The New York Sun, in 1897, and ran as Editorial by Francis P. Church.

Now let me strongly state I don't agree with Mr. Church's belief or the use as to “fairies”, but however He did raise a few very interesting points:

**“They do not believe except what they see”.**

A truth that is seen in the following scripture:

**Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good report.**

**Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear. - Hebrews 11:1-3**

Perhaps if this letter were written today, I might add, that this too is a day and age of "skepticism of a skeptical age".

Today's world only embraces what it sees. As many even in the Church today, will totally dismiss something, contrary to the word of God, due to that they "Have Not Seen" or experienced it themselves.

I ask you this Christmas beloved, does it then make those things unseen, or those things yet unfelt and not yet experienced, less real?

**"Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond."**

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