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# **UPCOMING EVENTS AND NEWS**

# HARP + BOWL (WORSHIP AND PRAYER) — Tuesday, December 12, 6:30-to-7:30 pm

Join us in the Office Building every other Tuesday night as we mix prophetic praise and worship with the prayers of the saints.

## **ANSWER THE CALL FUNDRAISER** — through December 17

We are fundraising for a missions trip to India and Nepal through Answer the Call International. Many of you will remember when Chinna spoke at Destiny in August. This ministry supports a children's home, widows, lepers, and pastors. We are hosting a SILENT AUCTION FOR 10 BASKETS. Bidding closes on December 17, and winners will be notified at the end of service.

There is also a RAFFLE FOR DAKOTA BUTCHER. Raffle tickets are \$10 for one or \$20 for three. There will be 3 drawings in the amounts of \$125, \$75, and \$50. Please see Leonne Seevers with questions, and to purchase the raffle tickets.

### CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE — Sunday, December 24, 3:30 pm

Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday this year. We are not having a Sunday morning service, but are inviting you, instead, to attend our beloved afternoon Christmas Eve Service with family and friends. Worship and celebrate the birth of Jesus, take pictures with our Evergreen trees, and sip on some hot cocoa. It is going to be a wonderful time with your Destiny family!

### NEW YEAR'S EVE ALL-WORSHIP SUNDAY — Sunday, December 31, 10:00 am

It is a 5th-Sunday celebration that you want to be sure to attend! Bring in the New Year with your Destiny family and a Sunday morning of nothing but praise and worship.

#### **APPLY TO LEAD A CONNECT GROUP**

The start of our Winter/Spring Connect Group is quickly approaching. Connect Groups provide an amazing opportunity to build relationships within our Destiny Family. If you are interested in gathering people regularly to do a Bible study, hike, have a meal, or enjoy a hobby together, please see Pastor Valerie or apply to lead one of our Connect groups at <a href="https://www.mydestiny.family/plug-in/groups/apply-to-lead/">https://www.mydestiny.family/plug-in/groups/apply-to-lead/</a>

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# MESSAGE NOTES

# 12.10.23 | CHRISTMAS IS HERE, Part 1: Sleep In Heavenly Peace

#### **HOW DID YOU SLEEP LAST NIGHT?**

That night, in a field near Bethlehem, shepherds were watching over their flocks. Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared in radiant splendor before them, lighting up the field with the blazing glory of God, and the shepherds were terrified! But the angel reassured them, saying, "Don't be afraid, for I have come to bring you good news, the most joyous news the world has ever heard! And it is for everyone everywhere! For today in Bethlehem a rescuer was born for you. He is the Lord Yahweh, the Messiah.

You will recognize him by this miraculous sign: You will find a baby wrapped in strips of cloth and lying in the feeding trough!"

Then all at once in the night sky, a vast number of glorious angels appeared, the very armies of heaven! And they all praised God, singing:

"Glory to God in the highest realms of heaven! For there is peace and a good hope given to the sons of men." Luke 2:8-14 TPT The meaning of Christmas is found in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God. Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Isaiah 7:14a ESV God has \_\_\_\_\_ that cannot be stopped. God created you on \_\_\_\_\_, and He created you for \_\_\_\_\_ ...remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me, 10 declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose...' Isaiah 46:9-10 ESV ...did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself... Philippians 2:6b-7a ESV God has plans that cannot be stopped, and He's got plans for \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **GOD'S PLANS INTERWOVEN AND INTERSECTING**

God has got	all over the place in your story, happening right now.
For I, the Lord your God,	
hold your right hand;	
it is I who say to you, "Fear not,	

God is reaching out His \_\_\_\_\_.

I am the one who helps you." Isaiah 41:13 ESV