

December - Peace and Goodwill:

by Dr. Glenn Mollette

December is here and for many Americans that often means craziness.

There is so much to do!

Decorating - Do you put lights outside your house? Outside decorating can mean most anything from a wreath on the door to lights hanging from the gutters, covering the bushes and adorning all your outside trees. If you've watched Christmas Vacation and most people have, then you know outside decorating can become intense.

Grocery Shopping - Cooking Americans know the workload involved in preparing for a Christmas meal but also the other days of the month. Family coming in early or stopping by normally invokes the call for extra cookies and snacks around the house. How many trips can any good soul make to the store in a month? The aisles of the stores and checkout lines can be tedious this time of year. Beware and don't wreck your grocery cart while hurrying to get through the check out!

Buying gifts - Obviously America's stores count on Christmas holidays to financially see them through the year. Christmas spending is a big chunk of your local mall's

budget each year. Most Americans enjoy giving but commonsense should always be employed. Don't overdo it. Don't break the bank giving stuff to people who may not need what you are buying. Even if they may need it you should only give what you can afford. Don't buy on a credit card that might take you a year to repay the debt.

Go For Quality - Quality time seems to have vanished in the modern age. We have more communication's technology before and less communication. We can email, text message, face time, Skype, email, post on social media and then of course there are cell phones and old fashioned mail and landline phones still exist. Yet, people are talking less and visiting less than ever it seems. There is only so much of you to go around but try to find some meaningful moments with the real people in your life. Real talking one on one and doing something together with family or close friends are Christmas moments usually remembered.

Charitable Giving - You have plenty of places to give your money. Your church, Salvation Army and many other places ap-

preciate your gifts. Try to remember giving to those people who are all around you that are working to serve you. Give something to the person who carries your groceries to the car. Give a little extra to the kind restaurant waiter. Give something extra to the person who styles or cuts your hair. There are people who may serve you in various ways throughout the year and are struggling to make a living. Remember these people. We give often to needs and crisis that are across the ocean or are in another town and we should help others. Help those who are right under your nose, trying so hard to just survive.

Celebrate the meaning of Christmas.

The world has defined Christmas a lot of different ways. Regardless, it's still the day billions on the planet celebrate the birth of Jesus. During this season of the year please find time to take a closer look at the baby in the manger that Christians around the globe celebrate. The world is desperate for some real peace on earth. We need calm on the planet and in the hearts of the people. With so much war, terrorism, poverty, violence in every American town, broken homes and broken lives could we

not all benefit from the message of the Biblical story? Upon the birth of Christ the heavenly host declared, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Peace and goodwill....now there is something we can all give and use.

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Today in History:

by The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 6, the 340th day of 2017. There are 25 days left in the year.

On Dec. 6, 1917, some 2,000 people were killed when an explosives-laden French cargo ship, the Mont Blanc, collided with the Norwegian vessel Imo at the harbor in Halifax, Nova Scotia, setting off a blast that devastated the Canadian city. Finland declared its independence from Russia.

On this date:

In 1790, Congress moved to Philadelphia from New York.

In 1865, the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, abolishing slavery, was ratified as Georgia became the 27th state to endorse it.

In 1889, Jefferson Davis, the first and only president of the Confederate States of America, died in New Orleans.

In 1907, the worst mining disaster in U.S. history occurred as 362 men and boys died in a coal mine explosion in Monongah, West Virginia.

In 1922, the Anglo-Irish Treaty, which established the Irish Free State, came into force one year to the day after it was signed in London.

In 1942, comedian Fred Allen premiered "Allen's Alley," a recurring sketch on his CBS radio show spoofing small-town America.

In 1947, Everglades National Park in Florida was dedicated by President Harry S. Truman.

In 1957, America's first attempt at putting a satellite into orbit failed as Vanguard TV3 rose about four feet off a Cape Canaveral launch pad before crashing down and exploding.

In 1967, three days after the first human heart transplant took place in South Africa, a surgical team at Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn, New York, led by Dr. Adrian

Kantrowitz transplanted the heart of a brain-dead two-day-old baby boy into an 19-day-old infant who died six hours later.

In 1973, House minority leader Gerald R. Ford was sworn in as vice president, succeeding Spiro T. Agnew.

In 1982, 11 soldiers and six civilians were killed when an Irish National Liberation Army bomb exploded at a pub in Ballykelly, Northern Ireland.

In 1989, 14 women were shot to death at the University of Montreal's school of engineering by a man who then took his own life.

Ten years ago: CIA Director Michael Hayden revealed the agency had videotaped its interrogations of two terror suspects in 2002 and destroyed the tapes three years later out of fear they would leak to the public and compromise the identities of U.S. questioners; the disclosure brought immediate condemnation from Capitol Hill. Republican presidential hopeful Mitt Romney, speaking at the George Bush Presidential Library and Museum in Texas, said his Mormon faith should neither help nor hinder his quest for the White House as he vowed to serve the interests of the nation, not the church, if elected president.

Five years ago: Shocking some of his closest Republican colleagues, Sen. Jim DeMint of South Carolina announced he would resign his seat to head Washington's conservative Heritage Foundation think tank. Marijuana possession became legal in Washington state, the day a measure approved by voters to regulate marijuana like alcohol took effect.

One year ago: President-elect Donald Trump officially announced he would nominate retired Marine Gen. James Mattis to be his defense secretary, bringing his pick onstage at a rally in Fayetteville, North Carolina; Mattis briefly addressed the crowd as he thanked Trump for choosing him.

Thought for Today: "When you have exhausted all possibilities, remember this — you haven't." — Thomas Edison, American inventor (1847-1931).

Community Bible Church

Special Music

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new." 2 Corinthians 5:17

Churches generally give an opportunity for people to share their gifts musically. People of all sorts, who maybe have never sung before except in the shower, will stand and sing to honor their Lord. I had a friend years ago who I never would have believed could sing, and yet, one Sunday he did special music in a rich, mellow baritone voice.

One church I was involved with had special music on Sundays for both morning and evening services. On one Sunday evening, the individual who was to sing the special music didn't show up. The assistant pastor who had been leading the congregational singing asked — jokingly, I believe — if there was anyone who would like to come up and sing. A lady stood up and began to move toward the front of the

church. She had never sung in church before, and I believe everyone was surprised. She came from a tough background and had only just begun her new life in Christ. With no music to back her up, she simply sang, "Something beautiful, something good; All my confusion He understood. All I had to offer Him was brokenness and strife, but He made something beautiful of my life." The stunned congregation watched her return to her seat. A more powerful message could not have been presented. Her song spoke of a life changed, renewed, and born again. That's what Jesus does — He makes all things new.

See you Sunday.

**In Christ,
Pastor Dave**

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In order for God to thwart copulation, He has the man to comply to 1 John 3 verse 9. In the previous note here, the woman's role was child bearing. The man's role is the following, he is to be likened to a eunuch, 1 John 3 verse 9.

The following passages all point to this verse, 1 John 3 verse 9, 1 Kings 1 verses 1 to 4, Daniel 1, verses 7 to 21, Mathew 19 verses 12 to 14, Luke 23 verse 42 & 43, Acts 8 verses 30 to 38. Verse 31 is very important, the eunuch suggest that he and any neophyte should have a guide. These passages in Acts are very important, it describes to the neophyte that the eunuch ascribes with much knowledge and wisdom. As Daniel, raised to lofty positions in the government by mighty kings. Further knowledge will show the man to adhere to the Masonic steps, 3, 5, 7 for his conduct through the path of life, in the favor of the Almighty. Three is the fear of God, five is the number for reproduction and seven is to follow God's plan. Mortals have a contribution to life with a study an understanding of numerology.

To be continued
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