"BEHOLD, I AM MAKING ALL THINGS NEW"

REVELATION 21:1-5

LUKE 1:67-79; 2:8-14

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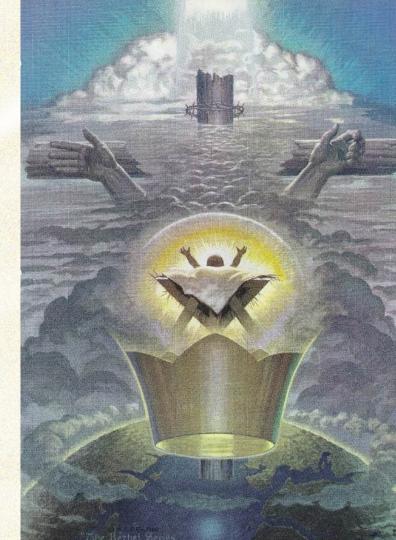
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- The world has great beauty and potential
- Yet things are terribly wrong
 - Joy breaks out on Christmas day
 - o "Good news of great joy"
 - "because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high"



1 The sunrise has dawned with the coming of Jesus Christ

- The promised Saviour-King is here at last! (Lk 1: 68-70)
- What a great cost!
- What a great salvation! (v71-77)



2 This sunrise is contested by the forces of darkness

Division, darkness and death still a reality (Lk 1: 78-79a)

The light of Christ is needed for the path of peace (v 79b)

3 The sunrise will prevail in glorious new day

> A <u>new</u> heaven & earth (Rev 21:1)

 \succ The fullness of salvation (v 2-4)

 \succ "write this down ... it is done." (v 5-8)

"Behold, I am making all things new" + (Rev 1: 5a)

Believe in the name of Jesus

Rejoice in the fullness of salvation that is coming

Participate now in God's renewal of creation