

Maple Springs Baptist Church

Series: Unwrapping Christmas

Week 2: What Hallmark Doesn't Tell You

Matthew 1:18-25

(1) The Reason for the Season is SIN.

John 1:1. Why do we celebrate this? Why did he come to Earth? **Matthew 1:21.** What is the reason for Christmas? Sin had to be dealt with. **Luke 2:10-11. Luke 2:25-30, 36-38.**

(2) The Purpose of Christmas was EASTER ... to get RID OF SIN.

(3) The Result of Christmas is a RELATIONSHIP with God, Based on FORGIVENESS and FREEDOM. Psalm 32:1-5.

2 Questions to Answer:

1) Have I ACCEPTED Christmas?

2) Am I LIVING IT OUT the Other 11 Months of the Year?

The Inescapable Truth: Christmas always leaves us with a DECISION TO MAKE.