

THE 700 CLUB CANADA

The Promise of Light

by Bill Markham Co-Host, The 700 Club Canada



"It's the most wonderful time of the year"... except when it isn't. For many the Christmas season is filled with

anticipation of celebrating with good food, presents, and family and friends. But for others, Christmas is a very difficult season. Behind the lights and sounds of Christmas many find themselves in the darkness of loneliness, anxiety, fear and despair.

Into this darkness, Christmas speaks a promise. Seven hundred years before the birth of Jesus the nation of Israel was in great distress. They were battling with both internal and external enemies, and many believed that God had abandoned them. As a result, many had rejected Him altogether. Yet, God sent a prophet named Isaiah to say, The people walking in darkness have seen a great light (Isaiah 9:2 NIV).

What is this light? The answer: For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6).

The promise was that one day a child would come into this world who would lead us out of darkness into the light. He would be a Counsellor, the answer to our deepest needs; the Mighty God, who can deliver us from all our enemies; our Everlasting Father, who loves unconditionally and restores the broken-hearted; the Prince of Peace, who brings order to the chaos. His name would be Jesus.

The only question left would be... do you see it?

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PAT ROBERTSON FOCUSES ON THE LEADERS OF TOMORROW

Still bringing his perspective to The 700 Club

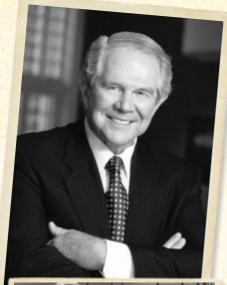
n October 1, as CBN celebrated 60 years since its first broadcast, Pat Robertson announced that he would no longer be a regular host of The 700 Club program. "Today's show will be my final as host of The 700 Club," said Robertson. "My replacement will be my very capable son, Gordon, who will take over as full-time host of the program."

Pat's presence is still very much felt on the program. Every month, he answers viewers' questions on a special version of The 700 Club that viewers have come to love. In addition to this interactive program, Pat also remains available as a senior consultant on international affairs, appearing occasionally as news warrants.

Pat's focus is on the future as he looks forward to devoting his energy and experience full time to helping train and equip members of the 11,000-strong student body of Regent University in their mission: "Christian Leadership to Change the World."

It has been an extraordinary 60 years of ministry that began in 1960 in a small television studio in Portsmouth, Virginia. With God's

blessing, CBN went on to become one of the largest global ministries in the world. Be sure to watch how it all unfolded at CBN.com/TheCBNStory. "Good and faithful' doesn't even begin to describe my father's service to CBN for 60 years. His legacy and the example of his prayer life will continue to lead *The 700 Club* in the years to come," said Gordon Robertson, who has now served as co-host and executive producer of The 700 Club for two decades. "And the best part is, he is just going across the street to Regent University and will be on The 700 Club regularly in the future."









"What Can I Give Him?"

hroughout much of November and December, the world becomes a kinder place as we celebrate Christmas. For many, it's simply about presents, decorations, family, and good food. These are wonderful things, but at the heart of this sacred time is the celebration of the birth of our Saviour, and the fulfillment of a prophecy that would see God bring redemption to the world through His Son, Jesus.

Christmas is often referred to as the season of giving. We take great joy in finding just the right present for others, and our desire to support those that are hurting seems vastly improved during this time.

The Christmas story is one that we're very familiar with, but an often, overlooked group is the shepherds. They were simple, ordinary people, but God chose to announce the birth of His Son to them! In Luke 2:10, an angel of the Lord says, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people" (NIV).

WHAT A GIFT!

After hurrying to see Mary, Joseph and the baby, Luke 2:17-18 tells us that when they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.

WHAT A PRIVILEGE TO SHARE THAT GIFT!

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UGM is determined to restore the God-given dignity of people by sharing and demonstrating the love of Jesus Christ by providing meals, shelter, recovery programs job preparation, affordable housing, and programs to help build healthy families.

Music is synonymous with the season, and the words from the beautiful carol "In the Bleak Midwinter" help us understand our continued role in the greatest story ever told.

What can I give Him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb,
If I were a wise man
I would do my part,
Yet what I can I give Him,
Give my heart.

We have an opportunity to be like the shepherds and tell others about Christ, giving them the chance to accept the most valuable gift that they'll ever be given.

Merry Christmas!

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Never the Same Again

by Lorie Hartshorn Co-Host, *The 700 Club Canada*



Then, being divinely warned in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed for their own country another way

(Matthew 2:12 NKJV).

The wise men from the east traveled a great distance—as far as a thousand miles—to worship Jesus, the newborn King of the Jews. They brought expensive gifts and fell down in worship before the Christ child. When they went home, they did not go back through Jerusalem for fear of Herod. They returned by "another way." They changed course. Did you catch that? They returned by "another way."

This is what happens when we meet Jesus. We go "another way." He truly changes who we are and the direction that we're heading in. Some may struggle or even agonize over wondering if they are really saved. Here's a test: Has something happened inside of you, calling you to go in a new direction? It is inconceivable to think that Almighty God would come to live inside of a person, and that person not know it... and that person not be changed.

Christmas is a great time to reflect on whether you have really met Jesus. Has there been a genuine change? Is your life going His way now... or are you still going your way? Are you desiring His ways more and more?

I hope that this Christmas is a time of great rejoicing that you are a child of the King of kings and that you are welcoming His lordship in every area of your life. Like the wise men, let us bow down and worship Him and come away changed.

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A CHRISTMAS MIRACLE

What started as a stomachache soon turned into something very serious. Angie's heart stopped for up to 15 minutes several times, and all her husband Bill could do was pray. But it was enough. You won't want to miss this incredible Christmas story.



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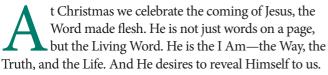
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THE LIVING WORD REVEALED TO THE WORLD



The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. ~John 1:14

by Gordon Robertson Chairman of the Board, CBA President and CEO, CBN



He tells us, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me" (Revelation 3:20).

The more we know Him, the more that things of this world fade in importance. Paul writes in Philippians 3:8-10: I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ *Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things,* and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in Him ... that I may know Him.

Paul is essentially saying, "I've lost everything; hallelujah! Because I can know Christ more. All that matters is knowing



Him and being conformed into His likeness."

We need to value what Jesus has done for us by His coming into the world, dying on the cross, and rising again. Not only do we have access to the Son of God, we have the right to be partakers of His divine nature.

Jesus gives us this amazing promise in John 14:21, "He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. ... And I will love him and manifest Myself to him."

So as we prepare for a new year, ask Jesus to show Himself and speak to you. Ask Him for a revelation of His nature, that you may know Him. And you will experience the living Christ as His Word comes alive in your heart—more and more each day. God bless you!

Excerpted from a teaching at CBN Staff Chapel. Scripture is quoted from the NKIV.



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