

## The Promise of CHRIST-mas

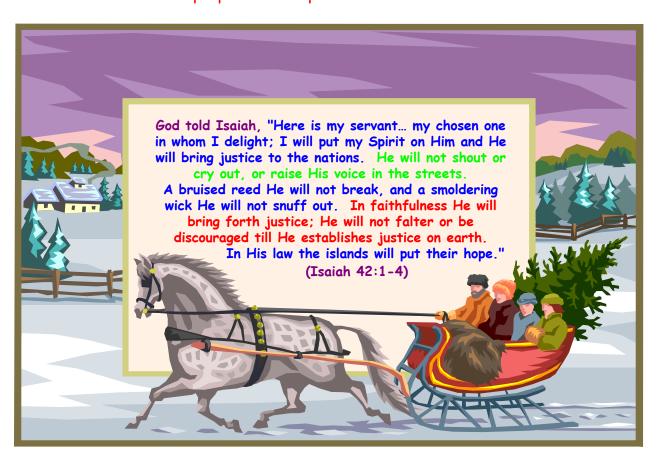
Thousands of years ago, there was no such thing as Christmas.

No one celebrated on December 25 — it was like any other day of the year.

People didn't have a reason to celebrate...

because Jesus Christ had not yet come to the world.

Some of God's people knew Jesus would come one day. Hundreds of years before Jesus came as a baby, God's prophet Isaiah predicted He would arrive.



What did this mean? God's chosen one was Christ. Jesus would have God's power. He would be fair to everyone — gentle and kind. He would be someone we could trust. He would give us hope for the future.

This was a wonderful promise from God. And God never breaks His promises!

The world waited a long time. Then Jesus was born to Mary & Joseph. They were His earthly parents, but God was His heavenly Father.



The world now had someone to celebrate:

Our Saviour Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe.

And we've been celebrating ever since!

CHRISTmas is special only because of esus Christ.

He is the best gift, the light of the season, and the song in our hearts.

It's always been about Him — and only Him.

Jesus is the reason we can have...



## A Very Merry Christmas!!