

CHRISTMAS DAY MESSAGE 2005

In America during the dark days of the Civil War.....recorded that in 1864
..at Petersburg, Virginia.....

[see Christmas illustration file]

the birth of that child made a difference.....but it lasted for less than ..)

Today we celebrate the birth of a baby.....born over 2000 yrs
Whose birth has changed our world.....and the lives of billions....forever

Our calendar.....begins with the time of His birth
We talk about BC.....and AD (anno domini)

The Angels proclaimed to the Shepherds

Luke 2:10-11.....**and that was proved true on the cross.....**

→where He paid the penalty for the sins of mankind

And at the empty tomb.....

→.where His resurrection declared His divinity

...→and where He reached out with those nail pierced hands to all

...and offered the gift of Himself as the Mediator(1 Tim 2:5)....

That's why the birth.....has made such a difference

A difference that will stand till this age is no more

Because He alone can bridge the gap between you and God

He alone can carry you throu.....He alone can guarantee you a place...

(One of Americas greatest poets is Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. The...
[see Christmas Illustrations file])

Jesus still makes a difference in this world today.....

For evil and wickedness....selfishness, sin and pain.....will one day be no
more.....**But Christ will reign.....**along with those who love Him.....

What difference is He making in your life ?

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