



# The Mega Christmas Message

1 Timothy 3:16

Dr. Mike Fabarez • Compass Bible Church • December 17 & 18, 2022 • Christmas at Compass • Msg. 22-38

## 1 Timothy 3:16

*Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness: He was manifested in the flesh, vindicated by the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory. (ESV)*

*Be Clear, Christmas Is About...*

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (v.16a)

*Be Clear, Christmas Is About...*

2. \_\_\_\_\_ (v.16b)

*Be Clear, Christmas Is About...*

3. \_\_\_\_\_ (v.16c)

*Be Clear, Christmas Is About...*

4. \_\_\_\_\_ (v.16d)

*Be Clear, Christmas Is About...*

5. \_\_\_\_\_ (v.16e)

*Be Clear, Christmas Is About...*

6. \_\_\_\_\_ (v.16f)

# Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others. For more information about small groups at Compass Bible Church that utilize these questions as the basis for their weekly discussion, please call the church office at (949) 540-0699 or email us at [SmallGroups@CompassChurch.org](mailto:SmallGroups@CompassChurch.org).

1. Read **Colossians 4:3-4**. How confused and uninformed do you find the people you interact with to be about who Christ is and why he came? What are some of the strange ideas you have heard?
2. Read **Psalms 49:7-9; Isaiah 59:16** and **Matthew 20:28**. How does the human problem of sin, our inability to solve it or circumvent its eternal consequences, relate to the meaning of Christmas?
3. Read **John 1:9-14**. Why is it a good time to be more boldly evangelistic during the Christmas season? How can you make the most of the opportunities afforded by the cultural emphasis at Christmastime?
4. Read **1 Thessalonians 1:4-10**. How does this passage motivate you to understand Christ and the meaning and impact of his redemptive work better?
5. Read **Acts 1:6-11**. Why and in what ways should this promise empower and encourage you in the Christian life, even when the times are hard and our society gets increasingly more hostile to our message?

Streaming of both the audio and video of today's sermon is available on the Compass website ([CompassChurch.org](http://CompassChurch.org)). The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website and App ([FPR.org](http://FPR.org)).

- Msg. 22-06 – **Prepared for Eternity**
- Msg. 18-12 – **Am I A Fool to Believe in the Resurrection?**
- Msg. 17-36 – **Shining the Truth in a Dark Culture**
- Msg. 15-37 – **Old School Christmas: Principles from God's Ancient Celebration**
- Msg. 14-26 – **God's Desire to Save People**
- Msg. 06-20 – **Extending the Reach of the Lordship of Christ**
- Msg. 19-03 – 19-07 – **The Defeat of Death** (a five-part series)

## Daily Bible Reading Schedule

Dec. 18 <sup>th</sup> .....	Jon. 1-4 & Rev. 9
Dec. 19 <sup>th</sup> .....	Mic. 1-3 & Rev. 10
Dec. 20 <sup>th</sup> .....	Mic. 4-5 & Rev. 11
Dec. 21 <sup>st</sup> .....	Mic. 6-7 & Rev. 12
Dec. 22 <sup>nd</sup> .....	Nah. 1-3 & Rev. 13
Dec. 23 <sup>rd</sup> .....	Hab. 1-3 & Rev. 14
Dec. 24 <sup>th</sup> .....	Zeph. 1-3 & Rev. 15
Dec. 25 <sup>th</sup> .....	Hag. 1-2 & Rev. 16

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

- Blomberg, Craig L. **The Historical Reliability of the Gospels**. InterVarsity, 1986.
- Bowman, Robert and Ed Komoszewski. **Putting Jesus in His Place: A Case for the Deity of Christ**. Kregel, 2007.
- Brown, Charles. **The Divine Glory of Christ**. Banner of Truth, 1996.
- Habermas, Gary **The Risen Jesus and Future Hope**. Rowman & Littlefield, 2003.
- House, Paul. **Who Will Be Saved? Defending the Biblical Understanding of God & Salvation**. Crossway, 2000.
- Letham, Robert. **The Message of the Person of Christ (Bible Speaks Today: Bible Themes)**. InterVarsity, 2013.
- Morris, Leon. **The Lord from Heaven: A Study of New Testament Teaching on the Deity & Humanity of Christ**. IVP, 1974.
- Owen, John. **The Person of Christ: Declaring a Glorious Mystery – God and Man**. Christian Heritage, 2015.
- Rydellnik, Michael & Edwin Blum (eds.). **The Moody Handbook of Messianic Prophecy**. Moody Publishing, 2019.
- Saucy, Robert. **Scripture: Its Power, Authority, and Relevance**. Word Publishing, 2001.
- Schreiner, Patrick. **The Ascension of Christ: Recovering a Neglected Doctrine**. Lexham, 2020.
- Ware, Bruce. **The Man Jesus Christ: Theological Reflections on the Humanity of Christ**. Crossway, 2013.
- Wells, David F. **The Person of Christ: A Biblical and Historical Analysis of the Incarnation**. GNP, 1984.