

25 December 2016: Preached by Rev Dr Jeffrey Khoo

Topic: Christ the Peace Child

Scripture text: Luke 2:1-20

1. The words of the angels to the shepherds at the birth of Jesus were "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men". Indeed the Lord Jesus Christ came to bring peace and goodwill (good favour) to all men.
2. When Jesus was born into this world about 2000 years ago, the world was politically and economically oppressive then. Israel was governed by the Roman foreign power. It was also a time when the people felt the burden to pay taxes which kept them poor.
3. It is not much different in our world today where the world's philosophy is might is right. Today people also live in fear and worry. The message given by the angels was "Fear Not". Jesus has come to save His people from their sins and to give them true peace in their hearts.
4. The Lord Jesus Christ is the Messiah, the Anointed One to be our Prophet, Priest and King. He is our Mediator who came to reconcile us to God by His death for us on the cross and to rise again 3 days later.
5. There is no peace in men's heart because of sin. Only Jesus Christ can forgive us our sins to make peace for us with God for He is the Prince of Peace.