

THE CHRISTMAS CATCH

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I. Luke 2:1-20

A. **Converge** - To come together; to move toward one point or one another

B. **V14 - Two different realms mentioned**

1. 1st realm - Glory to God in the Highest

a) **Glory** - *doxa* - Splendor, brightness, praise, honor, greatness, amazing and glorious

(1) The manifest presentation of God's infinite and majestic nature

b) **Glory to God tells us:**

(1) Where the glory is to be directed (Glory TO God)

(a) Praise, honor and greatness is about HIM!

c) **In the Highest** - *hypsistos* - Most elevated, loftiest, most high above the earth - Heaven

(1) **Place where God is (in)**

(a) **Ps 33:13-15** 13 The Lord looks from heaven; He sees all the sons of men. 14 From the place of His dwelling He looks On all the inhabitants of the earth; 15 He fashions their hearts individually; He considers all their works.

(2) **Place where we belong**

(a) **Phil 3:20-21** 20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21 who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.

i) **Citizenship** - *politeuma* - State, place or location in which one has a right to be a citizen

(b) **John 14:1-3** "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am"

2. **2nd realm - On Earth** - *ge* - The surface of the earth; humans and animals exist

a) Intentions of the 1st realm towards the 2nd realm - Peace and Goodwill

(1) **Peace** - *eirene* - State of peace, well being, tranquility, free from worry.

(a) **Ps 29:11** 11 The Lord will give strength to His people; The Lord will bless His people with peace.

(b) **John 14:27-28** 27 Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

