CHRISTMAS GALATIANS!

The Timing of "Christmas": "When the fullness of the time had come..." 4:4 It was "the fullness of the time," because... The world was well-prepared for it...

- "Pax Romana"
- Roman Roads
- Nearly universal language
- Common Currency
- "Diaspora"...the scattering of the Jews.

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- There had been a long period of silence from God!
- The prophesied "forerunner" had come! God had prophesied the time when the Messiah would be "present!" Daniel 9:24-27

IT WAS TIME!!!

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The Miracle of "Christmas": "God sent forth His Son", 4:4

The Details of "Christmas":

✓ Born of a woman, 4:4✓ Born under the Law, 4:5

The Mission of "Christmas": REDEMPTION! *"so that He might redeem those who were under the Law," 4:5*

> Redemption...without Incarnation... would have been impossible! Incarnation...without Redemption...

would have been meaningless!

- The Goal of "Christmas": ADOPTION!
 - "that we might receive the adoption as sons" 4:5
 - Results of adoption...
 - God sent forth His Spirit!
 - We are no longer slaves, but SONS!
 - We are heirs of God!

God sent His Son into the world, so that men and women in the world might become Sons!



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