

Christmas Is the Story of a Promise

But you, Bethlehem...though you are small...out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times. He will stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the LORD his God. And they will live securely, for then his greatness will reach to the ends of the earth. And he will be their peace. (Micah 5:2, 4-5a, NIV)

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For hundreds of years
God had been making
promises to His people.

He had promised
a Prince,
a Shepherd,
a Healer,
a Conqueror,
a Prophet,
a Priest,
a Lion,
a Lamb.

He had promised
Peace.

He had promised
Freedom.

He had promised
Love and Life
without end.

Finally,
one evening,
in the blackness of midnight,
the promises all came wrapped together
as one magnificent Promise.

The Promise was
a Baby.

The Promise was
Emmanuel.

The Promise was
God Himself.

Christmas is the story of a Promise,
and the Promise is
Jesus.