

# Poor Little Jesus Boy!

By B.H. Pearson

Two men were looking at the sign in a holiday decorated window. "PUT CHRIST INTO YOUR CHRISTMAS." One said to the other, "What do you think of this, the church is even trying to barge in on Christmas!"

That spirit is reflected in the Second Psalm where kings, princes and nations form a "God is Dead" League, but the Lord of God of the universe laughs at them and has them in derision. How? By a Babe – the Babe in the Manger - "Thou art my Son:

This day have I begotten thee." The messianic minority of the ancient world was God's way to fulfill this decree.

When He came, well, do you remember the spiritual.

*"Poor little Jesus Boy. They don't know who you is."*

It was true then, and it is true also of many today.

Either Jesus is the greatest fraud ever born of woman, or He is the Lord God of earth and sky. He is either Lord of all, or He is the Lord of delusions. We can't have it both ways, we must choose. There has always been a foolish generation that sold their inheritance in Christ for less than thirty pieces of silver. But we may join those who through the ages have crowned Him Lord of their hearts and lives.

Years ago, two unbelieving lawyers met. One said, "West, write a book proving Jesus never rose from the dead." The other replied, "O.K., Gilbert, if you will write one proving Paul was never converted on the Damascus Road. That will end Christianity."

They wrote their books. I found them bound in one volume in the Los Angeles City Library. BUT one book proved from Scripture that Jesus did rise from the dead, and the other that Paul was converted on the Damascus Road. Logic can reach no other conclusion from scriptural evidence – that Babe in the Manger was God incarnate, Christ Jesus our Lord and Saviour.

There is only one way to put Christ in Christmas, that is to let Him be born by faith in our hearts and lives. Then we will adore Him as King with our gold, our offerings, our substance; then we will recognize Him as God with the frankincense of our worship; then we will receive Him as Saviour by the myrrh of our remembrance that Jesus died on Calvary's cross for us.

A Christmas drawing shows a Madonna holding the new-born Jesus in her arms. On the sole of the Babe's tiny foot may be seen a cross. It is not enough to hear the angels' song in the sky, and join the merriment of this season; we must remember that this Babe was born to die on a cross upon a lonely hill, and that we can only worship Him as we give ourselves and all we are for what He died for.

Let us open our hearts to receive Him; let us open our minds to understand His will; let us open our personalities to share Him with others. Then our hearts will be tuned to the music of the angels' song, and we shall join with the multitude that love His appearing in singing "COME, LET US ADORE HIM".

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*Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet  
and show my people their transgression...*  
Isa. 58:1



*For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound,  
who shall prepare himself to the battle?*  
1 Cor. 14:8

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## The Pastor's Paragraph

*Dear Friends,  
Well, it's Christmas time again.  
It is time for us to celebrate the  
event when God the Father  
became God the Son, leaving the  
splendors of Heaven, and com-  
ing down to this sinful world to  
pay our sin debt. Now, that is  
worth truly celebrating. The  
thing is that you must personally  
receive that Christmas gift for  
yourself. Will you do that today?  
You can then truly have a Merry  
Christmas.*

Pastor Cole

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## Suppose

Suppose it were your birthday, and all your friends would come and gather round your fireplace, there in your happy home. They come with smiles and gladness, and bring their presents too. But when they start to share them, there's not one for you. They give them to each other, a grand and costly lot. But for the guest of honor, they somehow just forgot. You say such things don't happen, nor should it ever be; It seems too crude and cruel, for folks like you and me. But friend, have you considered, just this is what men do? Not, of course, to humans, but of our Lord, 'tis true. We celebrate His birthday, with all our pomp and style; But give to one another and grieve Him all the while. "Tis Christ we claim to honor, at this glad Christmas time; Don't spend on friends the dollars and give Him just a dime. To give to one another, indeed is very nice; But best of all to Jesus, for Him let's sacrifice. His cause too long has suffered, by thoughtless, selfish men. Let's bring to Christ the first fruits and give our best to Him.

-Fred D. Jarvis