

MESSAGE NOTES



Series: Christmas of New Hope
Message: Hope for the Overlooked
Speaker: Rusty Coram
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"I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people."

Luke 2:10 (NLT)

"²⁶Then God said, 'Let us make human beings in our image, to be like us...' ²⁷So God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them."

Genesis 1:26–27 (NLT)

God wants us to clearly understand that in His eyes all people are of equal value and dignity.

Back to what the angel announced at Jesus' birth...

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Luke 2:10 (NLT)

It is easy to overlook others to make ourselves look better or make our lives easier.

Jesus proves that God loves all people and offers them hope equally!

"¹⁷For the Lord your God is the God of gods and Lord of lords. He is the great God, the mighty and awesome God, who shows no partiality and cannot be bribed. ¹⁸He ensures that orphans and widows receive justice. He shows love to the foreigners living among you and gives them food and clothing. ¹⁹So you, too, must show love to foreigners, for you yourselves were once foreigners in the land of Egypt."

Deuteronomy 10:17–19 (NLT)

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NLT– New Living Translation

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As we consider God's heart for all people let's look for how this applies to our lives.

For those who feel marginalized or overlooked, please know that God genuinely cares about you and wants you to know His love and presence in your life.

For those who look down on certain groups or individuals (be honest) this is a message calling for a recalibration of valuing others as God does.

Below are examples of how Jesus viewed and treated others that often were overlooked or deemed "less than".

Read the references and as you do, let the truth sink in. For some it will help you accept His love and kindness. For all of us it will be a guide for viewing, caring for and loving others.

Poor – Luke 21:1-4; Luke 16:19-21

Disabled – John 9; Mark 2:1-12; Mark 10:46-52

Outcasts – John 4; Luke 17:11-19; John 8:1-11

Hated by society – Luke 19:1-10 (last Bible Reading Plan passage for 2025)