## Advent Devotional - Day 13

December 13th

**Scripture: Luke 2:12-14** Verse: "This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.' Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."



## Reflection:

The heavenly celebration of Jesus' birth is a powerful reminder of the significance of this event. The appearance of a multitude of angels praising God and proclaiming peace on earth underscores the divine joy and importance of Jesus' arrival. This moment was not just a quiet, humble birth in a manger but a cosmic event that brought together heaven and earth in joyous celebration.

In modern times, we often get caught up in the busyness and stress of daily life, especially during the holiday season. The pressures of work, family obligations, and societal expectations can sometimes overshadow the true meaning of Christmas. However, the angelic celebration reminds us to pause and reflect on the profound joy and peace that Jesus' birth brings to our lives.

Consider how you can incorporate this heavenly joy into your daily life. Take moments to celebrate the small blessings and to express gratitude for the peace that Jesus offers. Whether through prayer, worship, or acts of kindness, let the joy of Jesus' birth fill your heart and overflow into your interactions with others.

As you go through your day, remember the angels' proclamation: "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." Let this message inspire you to seek and share peace, knowing that the birth of Jesus is a source of eternal joy and hope.

**Prayer:** Heavenly Father, thank You for the joyous celebration of Jesus' birth and the peace it brings to our lives. Help us to remember and reflect on this heavenly joy amidst the busyness of our daily routines. Guide us to share this joy and peace with others, spreading the true spirit of Christmas. Amen.

