

Jesus came home to His own people but they rejected Him. When have you rejected or at least not received someone in your life and how did that person respond? When have you been rejected or unreceived by someone else and how did you respond? Jesus knew exactly how He would be received before He came and yet He came anyway. How does His response to our rejection of Him bring even greater peace to our hearts and lives?

Names come to represent who we are. They are part of identity, and have strong associations with how people view and think about us. Complete this sentence, "To believe in the name of Jesus is to _____." How does this help you better understand and be able to explain your faith to others? When we receive Jesus, we are born again as children of God. Why is being a child of God special to you, especially at Christmas?

3. APPLY THE TRUTH

Who in your life needs to come home to the Father? Pray for them and invite them to church for Christmas this week.



COMING HOME

December 8, 2024

John 1:9-13

JESUS CAME TO HIS _____ TO BRING US _____.

I. Jesus came home to a _____ creation. – v. 9-10

Jesus was born to be a _____ in our brokenness.

II. Jesus came home to a _____ people. – v. 11

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SMALL GROUP APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. STUDY THE WORD

Read John 1:9-13. When have you been most homesick in your life? What made you most look forward to coming home when you were homesick? Did you ever have a stage or moment in life where you came home, but quickly realized your old home didn't feel like home anymore? What had changed and how did you respond?

2. ASSESS YOUR LIFE

God created the world to be a perfect home for God and man to dwell together, but sin wrecked all of that. Yet, Jesus still came to bring light to the world. In contrast to Jesus the true light, what are some partial or false lights you have seen or looked to in this world? What did those other lights promise but fail to deliver? How has the light of Jesus revealed truth in your heart and life?

Jesus was born to bring _____ to His enemies.

III. Jesus came home to _____ His family. – v. 12-13

*Jesus was born and died so we could _____
to the Father.*

Stewardship Report:

Last Week: \$9,613
This Month: \$6,265
Last Month: \$52,962
Monthly Budget: \$44,759



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