

Titus Women

ALL OF ME FOR ALL OF JESUS



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A Very Illogical Christmas – by Linda Boyette

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean NOT on your own understanding; (BUT) in all your ways acknowledge/submit to Him and He WILL bring it to pass,” (Proverbs 3:5-6 my paraphrase).

Through the years, I have come to see that Christmas is anything but logical. Perhaps the celebration *and* exhaustion witness to the illogical nature of this holy day. Was it logical to choose an unwed teenager to give birth to the Holy God’s baby knowing she would be an outcast and rejected by most family and friends? Was it fair to surprise a menopausal woman by telling her that she was finally going to be pregnant, not with just any ordinary child but the forerunner of the Messiah?

Was it logical to have the stinky, shaggy shepherds receive the angelic sacred birth announcement? Or have wealthy kings travel for months to find a baby boy? Was it logical to allow Herod the King to slaughter all the young boys in Bethlehem? Was it logical for an old man and an old woman to be the first to recognize the Son of God in the temple?

Human thinking would call God’s redemptive plan ludicrous, crazy, and illogical. God looks down on the world that He loves and calls it love (*hesed* love). He invites us to be restored by grace and receive His unfailing *hesed* love into our lives. He uses the most surprising and seemingly nonsensical circumstances for His divine plan.

Are you in an impossible, disappointing, illogical circumstance? Are you doubting the hand of God on you and in your life? Are you upset with the circumstances He has allowed? Maybe you’re even upset with God. As we celebrate His coming this Christmas, let us choose to accept Jesus and all His love for us. Let us see the story from His perspective and then let us look at our own lives in the light of His story. It may be that we see Him at work in our lives more than we have ever seen before when we have eyes to see.

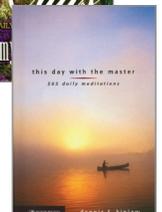
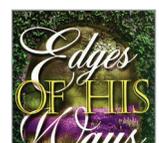
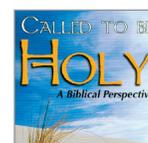
Instead of looking for life to fall into logical order, trust the Savior of the world with all of your heart, soul, mind and strength. Trust Him with all of your past defeats, present circumstances, hurts and sorrows. Invite Him into your present circumstances without any human logic or understanding. That’s Faith.

The human mind calls it foolishness; the secular mind calls it fanatical, but we join our voices with the prophets of the Old Testament and witness to God’s way of coming into the world, *“Behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, peace, love and hope... for all people,”* (Luke 2:10).

A divinely logical fulfillment.



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Christmas Boots

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One Christmas, my sister and I both asked for the same pair of boots from the Christmas catalogue. The boots we wanted were tall and fashionable with a silver buckle, and we could not wait to wear our matching boots. On Christmas morning, we ran downstairs to open our gifts with girlish anticipation and excited chatter. Somehow, in the confusion, I opened my sister's package, pulling out exactly the pair that we both wanted. My dad looked at me and said, "Oh honey, you opened your sister's gift." He handed my sister a smaller box and said to me, "Here is yours. We will let her open it for you." I watched with concern as my sister opened my present and pulled out a pair of small fur-lined ankle boots. They were not what I wanted, not nearly as stylish and as pretty as my sister's. I was so disappointed, and my father could read my face. The next day he lovingly drove me to the store to exchange my little warm boots for tall pretty ones.

I will never forget how much it snowed that year. My new, beautiful boots were worthless for playing in the snow. They looked nice but were not warm. My sister had no desire to play in the snow, and so she had no regrets about her gift. But I did. How I wished I had kept the boots my dad had given me. He knew what I would like even better than I did.

Our Heavenly Father knows our hearts. At times, He does not answer our prayers the way we think they should be answered. And yet, as we trust His loving heart, we find He gives better than we can imagine. We find His way is perfect for us. He loves us and He knows us. We can rest in that love.

"...for your Father knows exactly what you need even before you ask Him," (Matthew 6:8).



Winter Bible Study

The Beauty of Holiness —
a Study of Zechariah
Led by Beth Coppedge
Art by Laura Ury

January 11, 2022–
February 22, 2022
Tuesdays at 7:00pm EST
over Zoom



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and your family a
Blessed and Merry Christmas!*

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Winter Prayer Retreat

March 10–12, 2022
Hosted by Indian Springs
Ladies Fellowship
Epworth by the Sea
St. Simons Island, GA

Abide in Me Discipleship Summit

April 7–9, 2022
Inn at The Amish Door
Wilmot, OH
register @ tituswomen.org

Rise Up Women Indian Springs Ladies Retreat

April 29–May 1, 2022
Indian Springs Holiness
Camp Meeting
Flolva, GA