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Bethel Christian Academy's Principal's Perspective

What did the wise men say after they offered up their gifts of gold and frankincense? "Wait, there's myrrh!" I found that hilarious (to me anyway) joke this morning! But as I think about Christmas, we focus on the nativity story, of the manger and the star and the shepherds, and the wise men...It is a great story in [Luke 2!](#) But there is so much "myrrh" to the story! The miraculous nature of the "virgin birth" is usually considered, but what is often overshadowed by the story is the miraculous love that would cause God, but God the Father and God the Son, to set this plan of salvation in motion. [God demonstrated his love for us, by allowing Christ the Son to die for us...](#)while we were (and are) sinners deserving of the wrath of God, but instead we received mercy and forgiveness. Our debt, "[the wages of sin](#)" have been paid in full. Instead of death, we will inherit eternal life because of God's love for us. This plan, set in motion on the very first Christmas, and continued years later on a cross that first Easter, and that will be completely fulfilled someday when Jesus comes back for his people, demonstrates just how much love God has for you, and me, and all people!

When we exchange gifts this Christmas, we do so with those we love. It's not because the person receiving the gift deserves it. It's not because they earned it somehow. But it's because we love them and want to see the smiles on their faces. Imagine how you would feel if you gave somebody a gift and the recipient said "No thanks, I don't really want that." Sadly, that is precisely what happens way too often with the gift of God's love, with [the salvation that he freely gives to everyone who believes](#). It is a gift just like every gift given at Christmas. It cost so much to God. It cost his Son Jesus! But it costs us nothing because that single act of love paid for it all, so we just need to be willing to reach out and accept the free gift of salvation. We just have to believe the rest of the story of Christmas!

May you and your family be abundantly blessed this Christmas, and may everyone accept that free gift that was given to everyone in a manger and a cross two thousand years ago!

Thanks and God Bless!

Mr. Burnett, BCA Principal



BROADCAST

- December 16, 2022 -

What is Christmas all about?

Who can say it better than Linus? Click below!



What's Coming Up?

WOW! Look at how much our BCA family brought in to be a blessing to our community! We will be delivering it all to local food ministries next week!



December 20

Christmas Parties - Classes that are having Christmas parties will have them on this day. Look for information from your child's teacher soon about what that looks like for your child.

End of 2nd Quarter - We are officially halfway through the year! The 2nd quarter ends and report cards will go home after we return from Christmas Break.

Early Dismissal, 12:00-12:30*

***Plan ahead!** There is no PM busing, no after school care, and no lunch served on Dec. 20. All students must be picked up between 12:00-12:30. Be on time! Any students not picked up will be charged \$5/minute (see Handbook pg. 16).

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