



*Thanks be to God for His  
Unspeakable Gift  
2 Corinthians 9:15*

What makes a Christmas song a Christmas song? Have you ever wondered that?

I ask because a few weeks ago Shane and myself were at the office together working on something and Shane had music playing...Christmas music. This was September. Shane beat me to the office and made the music choice before I arrived. I didn't argue. I love Christmas, almost everything about it. And I love Christmas songs.

I began to think about why it is we only ever seem to play them at Christmas. There are some obvious answers - it gets us in the mood, it makes things very festive, but more so, I began to think about the lyrics. Some of the songs have lyrics which should probably only be sung at Christmas time, for example "Sleighride". I don't ride sleighs in July so it doesn't fit well in the summer. But the Christmas songs in which we sing about the true meaning of Christmas, the birth of the Saviour could actually be sung year long. Many are telling stories, like "We Three Kings". Some paint a picture in your mind, like "Away in a Manger". And most of the songs we sing promote peace, love, joy and comfort, along with the good news of our Saviour!

That September day in the office, we listened to Christmas music. And it was glorious! We hummed along to songs that talk about peace, comfort and joy. After the year we've had, it was a welcome message to be reminded of that day.

May you all sing songs of peace, joy and love all year long. May these songs fill your heart and especially your soul, and remind you of the Saviour, the One who we need to keep our eyes focused on. Peace love and joy to all of you, ALL year-long! Luke 2:10 & 11!

This time of the year it is very fitting to send another big THANK YOU to all of you, my ministry partners. Please know your role in this ministry is pivotal and our beautiful young people are hearing the good news because of you!

Making no assumptions as you have all supported and walked alongside me in ministry so faithfully over so many years, I include a return slip and envelope if you'd like to partner financially with me in ministry. If you wish to make a special gift at year end please know how very much I appreciate your generosity.

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