



CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 2005
FROM
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Traditionally Christmas is a time for giving and sharing with each other. Let us bring Christ back into Christmas as we remember that He is the reason for our celebrations.

During this Christmas season we should strive to find it in our hearts to forgive each other, and love our neighbours as ourselves as the Lord has commanded us to do. For it is only by so doing that we will find true peace.

Let us make a determined effort to rid ourselves of resentment, anger, greed, selfishness, hate and everything else that could harden our hearts, and prevent us from openly accepting the message of Christ, and following in his footsteps.

We must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in the present world, as we are waiting in hope for the blessing that will come.

In so doing we should also try to inject a sense of humility into our daily lives. Humility should be an essential condition for each one of us. We need only remember the humility which Christ himself exhibited when He came down to earth, and was born in a manger in a humble condition; and follow His example as He became man and lived among us.

To be meek and humble, therefore, is by no means demeaning; on the contrary we should regard this condition as an essential qualification in every true Christian.

May the joy and peace of Christmas fill your hearts and homes, as we ponder on the words of the Collects for the first Sunday in Advent-

“Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility.”

Mrs. Liverpool joins me in wishing everyone, at this time of celebration that is so meaningful in our lives, a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Peaceful and Productive New Year.