<div align="center">The Guarantee of Christmas
Luke 2:1-14 & Matthew 1:18-21</div>

I. God Guarantees that we can proclaim the <u>Good News of Great Joy</u> with effectiveness…

But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come. For men will be lovers of self, .…conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power….

<div align="right">2 Timothy 3:1-5</div>

Matthew 13:24

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II. …because <u>God Guarantees</u> He will save "His People"

"… you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins."

<div align="right">Matthew 1:21</div>

For this reason I endure all things for the sake of those who are chosen, so that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus and with it eternal glory.

<div align="right">2 Timothy 2:10</div>

Questions for this week:

I. For Starters:

1. Do you see much "Luke Warmness" with professing Christians today?
2. Do you see any "Luke Warmness" in your life and what are you doing about it?
3. Does hearing the Word taught from others ever grow boring to you?
   What do you do in those times?
4. How could you improve in proclaiming the Good News with great joy?

II. Overview of Scripture

1. Read Ezekiel 13. What was the condition of Israel and her teachers & prophets? What was God going to do about the problem?

2. Why do you think "spiritual pride" is so difficult to acknowledge in the one that is infected with it?

3. According to this verse, how will individuals be delivered form their sin into a life changing relationship with Jesus Christ?

But we should always give thanks to God for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God has chosen you from the beginning for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and faith in the truth. 2 Thessalonians 2:13

III. Growing Deeper

1. Review Sunday's message with someone.
2. Prepare your heart for celebrating this Christmas season with a time of praise & prayer.
3. Pray for one another and others who come to your mind.