

*Galatians 4:4,5*

***But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son born of a woman, born under the Law to redeem those who were under the law so that we might receive adoption as sons.***

In this season of advent, we celebrate a preplanned, loving act of God towards His creation: God is sending someone to us so that we, who are His creation, might become His children! What we feel as we anticipate the arrival of the one who will make this transformation possible is varied, but those who believe Holy Scripture should be speechless with joy about who is coming: The Gift of God is coming to fully transform the lives of all people.

The phrase: “when the fullness of time had come” reflects that this gift was not an afterthought. The sending of this gift was perfectly scheduled by God to send to His creation at a specific time in history, born of a woman, under the Law. So be joyful that all people can become a child of God through a confession of faith in the one He sends. God always had a plan to call us into faith at a certain point in time. Ephesians 1:4 tells us that God chose us in Him before the foundations of the world! God has sent us the greatest gift imaginable, right on time.

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