

How does
Christmas
offer me hope?



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CONVERSATIONS:

How was 2016 for you?

For many people, 2016 was a time of fear, uncertainty, and despair with the various political and catastrophic locally and all over the world. How people craved for 2016 to finally end!

And yet, in what ways did you see God come through for you this year? Count the ways He did.

The events of 2016 may have clouded our hope, yet despite changing times, our eternal God remained sovereign and true. When we tend to forget the hope we have in God, look to Christ -- whose birth we commemorate this season -- as the fulfillment of a faithful God's long-given promise to make man's redemption possible for him through His death on the Cross. His birth reminds us who put our faith in Him that God's ever-presence in our lives, His control and His sovereignty remain despite whatever threat faces peace in the world. Christ's coming and His finished work on the Cross remind us of the lasting hope we have to be with Him for eternity, both in this life and the life to come.

What does 2017 mean to you with God's presence in it?

If you are not sure of God's presence in your life, now is the time to make it certain. Invite Jesus in your life. Our sins have separated us from God, but Christ was sent to pay the ransom for our sins. This He fulfilled when He died in our place on the cross. The only response God seeks from us is to repent and place our faith in Him as our Lord and Savior. Explaining His mission for coming into the world, "*For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*" (Jn. 3:16) Invite Him today. He waits for you!

As you close this year, why not express to God your hope in Him today in prayer?

Merry Christmas, and have a hope-filled new year!