

I Heard The Bells On Christmas Day

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INTRODUCTION

Series Key Verse:

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him.

(1 Jn. 4:9, ESV)

*I heard the bells on Christmas day
Their old familiar carols play
And mild and sweet their songs repeat
Of peace on earth good will to men*

*And in despair I bowed my head
There is no peace on earth I said
For hate is strong and mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good will to men*

*Then rang the bells more loud and deep
God is not dead, nor does he sleep
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail
With peace on earth, goodwill to men*

SCRIPTURE

Various

EXPOSITION

I. The Christmas story makes _____ possible.

(Lk. 2:1-14)

*"I heard the bells on Christmas day; Their old familiar carols play;
And mild and sweet the words repeat; Of peace on earth, goodwill to men."*

II. There will be _____ on earth _____ there is _____ on earth. (Ge. 3:16-19)

"And in despair I bowed my head: 'There is no peace on earth,' I said, 'For hate is strong and mocks the song, Of peace on earth, goodwill to men.'"

The Fall created two general types of evil...

A. _____ evil (Jn. 3:19-21; 1 Jn. 3:4)

B. _____ evil (Jn. 16:33; Ro. 8:21-23)

III. There will be _____ when _____ to earth. (Rev. 21:1-5a)

"Then pealed the bells more loud and deep: 'God is not dead, nor doth He sleep; The wrong shall fail, the right prevail, With peace on earth, goodwill to men.'"

Application(s)...

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