



Daily Reflections

December 27, 2016

Scripture

1 John 1:1-4

Beloved:

What was from the beginning,
what we have heard,
what we have seen with our eyes,
what we looked upon
and touched with our hands
concerns the Word of life—
for the life was made visible;
we have seen it and testify to it
and proclaim to you the eternal life
that was with the Father and was made visible to us—
what we have seen and heard
we proclaim now to you,
so that you too may have fellowship with us;
for our fellowship is with the Father

and with his Son, Jesus Christ.

We are writing this so that our joy may be complete.

Our Scripture Reflection

Today's text from 1 John sums up the meaning of the Christmas story: The Word of Life, that is, Jesus Christ became visible to us. Our response to this most precious of Gifts? Witness to Him! Share the Gift.

Food for your Journey

Jesus punches holes in the darkness of our lives: When Robert Louis Stevenson, the author of *Treasure Island*, was a young child, he was looking out his front window one evening, fascinated by the old-fashioned lamplighter coming down the street, lighting the old gas street lamps.

He was so thrilled he called to his Nana, "Nana! Come quickly! There's a man coming down the street punching holes in the darkness!"

Prayer from the Heart

Dear Jesus, You came into this world in order to be its light. May You dispel the darkness with Your splendid and glorious light. Amen.