

A Charlie Brown Christmas Pt 2

"And it came to pass"

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"Jesus may I see your light in the midst of my darkness."

We get so caught up in the "perfect Christmas" that we miss the real Christmas

In life, we are so busy looking for God in the miraculous, that we miss God in the mundane.

The birth of Jesus...

We see it as this great miracle, but most of the world missed it.

The shepherds and the wise men had eyes to see God!

"I keep expecting loud and impressive events to convince me and others of God's saving power... Our temptation is to be distracted by them... When I have no eyes for the small signs of God's presence-- the smile of a baby, the carefree play of children, the words of encouragement and gestures of love offered by friends-- I will always be tempted by despair. The small child of Bethlehem, the unknown man of Nazareth, the rejected preacher, the naked man on the cross, continues to shout, scream, and overwhelm us with its claims and promises."

Henry Nouwen

Gracias! A Latin American Journal

Advent Action: I will look for one small sign that God is present in my daily life.

The trouble with religion is we think this means we need to add one more thing to our "to do" list.

What if instead of practicing our faith, we saw faith in our practices?

"And it came to pass in those days..."

God is here, God is with us, we just have to look.