

A PERFECT SON

Scripture: John 1:1-14

Christmas Day, December 25, 2018

Luke 2:7 and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

Who can remember the birth of their first child? I can. My son who is now in his 20's was born "perfect", or at least I thought so as many mothers do. When he turned 3, I found out he had Autism. That diagnosis crushed me. I thought "what did I do wrong?" I must have eaten the wrong thing. I didn't drink enough milk. I was young and didn't know any better. After reading every book I could find, I became more educated on Autism and found out, I did nothing wrong. It wasn't my fault. I have now had Tim in my life for the last 23 years and I wouldn't change anything. He is "perfect", just the way God made him. I wouldn't change anything about him. God gave him to me to protect, care for, and guide in a Christian walk with God. God gave the responsibility of Jesus to Mary.

I can see Mary as a young scared girl wanting to do God's will. Mary protected Jesus, cared for him and looked out for him, just like we all look out for our children. The only difference is Jesus is the Son of God. This Christmas let us all remember the children in the world who do not have support, love or guidance. As Christians it is our responsibility to let them know the love of Jesus and to tell them that God loves them just the way they have been created. They are "perfect in God's eyes.

Prayer: Lord at this Advent season let us all remember the true meaning of Christmas. Help us to show the world Your love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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