

Thursday December 13

We are awaiting the Messiah!

READ THE SCRIPTURE: Acts 3:17-26

RESPOND IN WORSHIP: God said we are to listen to the prophet like Moses. Do you listen to and obey Jesus? The leaders in Jesus' time did not recognize Him. Yet they are still accountable for their actions. Live holy, humbly repenting of your unknown sins.

Worship with Song: Sing, "Joy to the World!"

Acts 3:17-26 New International Version (NIV)

¹⁷“Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. ¹⁸But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, ²⁰and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus. ²¹Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets. ²²For Moses said, ‘The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you must listen to everything he tells you. ²³Anyone who does not listen to him will be completely cut off from their people.’^[a]

²⁴“Indeed, beginning with Samuel, all the prophets who have spoken have foretold these days. ²⁵And you are heirs of the prophets and of the covenant God made with your fathers. He said to Abraham, ‘Through your offspring all peoples on earth will be blessed.’^[b] ²⁶When God raised up his servant, he sent him first to you to bless you by turning each of you from your wicked ways.”