

Blasphemy in Johnson City  
Group Bible study  
December 7, 2013



A litmus test to see where society is at is to see what's approved in a small country city. Small communities should be more reserved in conduct compared to their larger liberal cities. Not so in Johnson city Texas – boyhood home of Lyndon Baines Johnson – the 36<sup>th</sup> President of the United States of America.

Johnson City has outdone itself this year by using Jesus to fundraise and not giving Jesus His honor.

On Nov 29, Johnson City held its 24<sup>th</sup> annual Lighted Hoove and Wheels Parade. Had they called it a Christmas Parade then they would have been lying since there was only one float in the entire parade that I saw that referred back to Jesus. The float by the 1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist Church advertised their living nativity presentation.

I have to give the Methodist their props for at least mentioning that the reason for the season should be focused on Jesus Christ.

**Friday & Saturday, December 6 & 7: 1st United Methodist Church Living Story of Christmas** – Johnson City First United Methodist Church will put on its annual (over 25 years!) Christmas program. It is a show for all ages and a great part of anyone's Christmas. There will be 5 free shows per night, starting at 6:00 p.m. and run on the hour and half hour; the last show being at 8:30 p.m. Each show lasts about 10 minutes. Bleacher seating. Children are welcome to pet the animals after each show. In the Church Activity Center there will be a large display of nativity scenes, free refreshments (cookies, hot chocolate and coffee). Info: 868-7414. See [www.fumcctx.org](http://www.fumcctx.org)

The parade entry form appears to be open to all with no restrictions except one can't throw candy or have a Santa on the float (they have an official Santa who will ride on one of the floats and then ask wishes of the children).

[http://www.johnsoncity-texas.com/lights\\_spectacular/2013\\_parade\\_entry.pdf](http://www.johnsoncity-texas.com/lights_spectacular/2013_parade_entry.pdf)

**24th Annual Lighted Hooves and Wheels Parade  
Saturday, November 30, 2013 at 6:30 P.M.**

Name of business, organization, or person: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact name: \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ (daytime) \_\_\_\_\_ (evening)

TYPE OF ENTRY: ( ) Float ( ) Car ( ) Band ( ) Horse ( ) Other

TOTAL LENGTH OF FLOAT (including vehicle): \_\_\_\_\_

Will YOUR ENTRY HAVE MUSIC: ( ) YES ( ) No

Brief description for the parade announcer (Important, so we know how to present you to crowd as you enter parade route)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*\*

**First Idea:** A Float consisting of a truck hauling a trailer. A Preacher is on the bed of the truck expounding on the need for repentance and baptism. On the trailer is a mountain of discarded Halloween skeletons with a ferocious Lion on top. Christmas music is usually played with most the floats so how about a mega phone blasting out a lion’s roar.

The skeletons represent those who don’t know/believe or obey the gospel (2Thess1:8) and the young Lion is of Micah5:7-15 which is Jesus destroying all the wicked of the land.

The announcer would introduce the float by saying: the next float is Repent or Perish. If one doesn’t listen to the man of God on the truck then they will meet the Lion of Judah who is Jesus Christ and this time he’s not coming back as a sweet innocent and tender infant.

RSV 2 Thessalonians 1:8 **inflicting vengeance** upon those who do not know God and upon those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.

RSV Micah 5:8 And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the nations, in the midst of many peoples, like a lion among the beasts of the forest, like a young lion among the flocks of sheep, which, when it goes through, **treads down and tears in pieces, and there is none to deliver.**

The first float idea may not be accepted – time for plan B.

**Second Idea:** Horses – everyone loves animals. I’m thinking four horses: one white, one red, one black and one pale. These horses represents the 4 horses of Revelations 6:2-8. Destruction and death follow in their path Each rider would be holding chains connected to a line of people walking behind the horses. The people are being led into the lake of fire for not having their names written in the book of life –Rev20:15. The people can be carrying lighted red wiggling worms to signify them in the eternal fires of the lake of fire – Is66:24

The announcer would introduce this group by saying: the next group are the four riders of the book of Revelation. These avenging angels bring death, famine and destruction on the earth because of the wickedness of man's heart. Following the riders are the wicked souls bound for the eternal burning fires of the lake of fire.

RSV Revelation 20:15 and if any one's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

RSV Isaiah 66:24 "And they shall go forth and look on the dead bodies of the men that have rebelled against me; for their worm shall not die, their fire shall not be quenched, and they shall be an abhorrence to all flesh."



Everyone was invited to visit the booths, after the parade ended, to support the local groups. The only religious booth I saw was the *Catholic Church's* booth (below left) trying to raise funding. Another booth that caught my eye was the flames of Santa in the lake of fire booth (below right).



There were no references to Jesus in any of the advertisements that I saw. The flyer did mention "Santa in City Park" and set the tone of Santa was greater than Jesus in saying the 100,000 light display of the courthouse "*shines brighter than the star of Bethlehem*".

Proclaimed as "the Centerpiece of one of the biggest shows on the Texas Hill Country Regional Christmas Lighting Trail" by Southern Living magazine with a courthouse that "**shines brighter than the star of Bethlehem**". The entire town is bathed in lights with 100,000 lights twinkling on the Blanco County Courthouse while Pedernales Electric Coop's Headquarters on Ave F boasts a lighted forest of over 1 million lights. Hayrides and carriage rides are available throughout the season. [http://www.johnsoncity-texas.com/festivals/lights\\_spectacular.html](http://www.johnsoncity-texas.com/festivals/lights_spectacular.html)

The parade and the fundraising booths reminded me of a passage in the book of Ezekiel. God showed Ezekiel a series of wicked actions that the Israelites were doing. Each scene grew more and more wicked.

The first scene in Ez8:5-6 shows the northern tribes having an idol.

The second scene in Ez8:7-13 shows the elders/leaders worshipping idols.

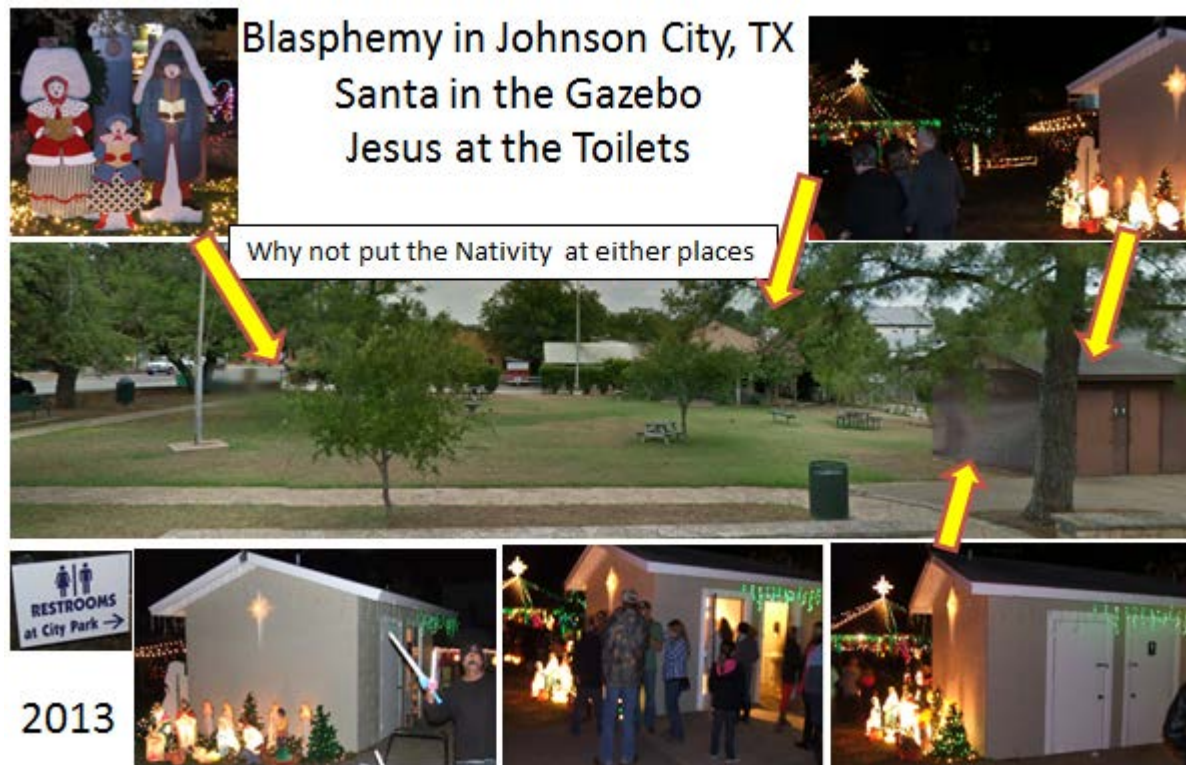
The third scene in Ez8:14-15 shows the weeping of Tammuz (40 day period at the same time of Lenten time) at the entrance of the north gate of the house of the Lord.

The last scene in Ez8:16-17 God shows inside the temple where the priest are having their backs to the temple and worshipping the sun towards the east (same as sunrise Easter service in the modern churches).

The lack of any Jesus' references in the parade was bad. Using Jesus as a fundraising tool with the Catholic Church seeing no problems with it was worse. Jesus, in Mt 21:12, cleared out of the temple all the buying and selling. There was something even more disturbing: blasphemy and a clear display of what the organizing group mindset is.

After walking thru the food and fundraising booths you get to the city park where there was a lighted trail of lights of all the typical Christmas displays: elves, Santa, reindeer, carolers, trees, lights. They had a live Santa in the park Gazebo with a line of parents with children waiting for Santa to hear their wishes.

We walked the entire path looking for Jesus and finally found the nativity set – along the outside bathroom wall!



The line for Santa was packed from the Gazebo diagonally thru the park. I walked by the line slowly in a loud voice saying:

**“Everyone is here to see Santa and no one to see Jesus”** and  
**“There’s no line for Jesus”**

I asked few people who ventured over to the nativity:

**“Doesn’t this disturb you that Jesus is at the toilets and Santa in the gazebo?”**  
**“Do you not feel that this is offensive putting Jesus next to the rest rooms?”**

The reactions?

- smiles
- devilish laughter (all from women)
- one man said “I never thought about that” (at least one person took a minute to think)

Jesus is the reason for the season so why not have Santa by the toilets and Jesus in the Gazebo?  
Or at the very least in the opposite corner of the toilets where they had some carolers?

In Babylon Gold was the most valued item and human souls at the least -Rev18:12-13.  
This was what I felt while I watched the parade, walked the booths and see the layout of the city park. All the people were happy and smiling while the merchants were gathering up their cash. The churches were silent over the obvious dishonoring of Jesus.

RSV Malachi 1:6 "A son honors his father, and a servant his master. **If then I am a father, where is my honor? And if I am a master, where is my fear?** says the Lord of hosts to you, O priests, who despise my name. You say, 'How have we despised thy name?'

Why weren't any churches protesting the placement? It appeared that the Catholic Church didn't mind by their participation in the event.

There are many verses in the bible where the priests are to distinguish between the holy and the common, the clean and unclean Lev10:10, Ez44:23

RSV Leviticus 10:10 You are to **distinguish between the holy and the common**, and between the unclean and the clean;

RSV Ezekiel 44:23 They shall **teach my people the difference between the holy and the common**, and show them how to distinguish between the unclean and the clean.



What is the most vile, unclean object at the park? The toilet. The toilet in the Israel camp was to be outside and buried -Dt23:13-14.  
Was the message trying to say that Jesus should be outside the camp and buried – that’s the message that came out crystal clear to me.

RSV Deuteronomy 23:13-14

13 and you shall have a stick with your weapons; and when you sit down outside, you shall dig a hole with it, and turn back and **cover up your excrement**.

14 Because the **Lord your God walks in the midst of your camp**, to save you and to give up your enemies before you, therefore **your camp must be holy, that he may not see anything indecent among you, and turn away from you**.

I've often heard that Christmas is an ideal time to spread the word of Jesus Christ since people are more open to hear at this time of year. That is a bunch of baloney as I found out. No one cared, no one sighed and groaned over the placement of Jesus and Santa. Ezekiel mentions the sigh and groaning in Ez9:4-5 of people over the abominations in the land. Those people received marks of God on them. Those who didn't sigh and groan were killed by the avenging angel. This is similar to Rev7:3-4 of God waiting on all the 144,000 chosen to receive the mark of God on their forehead before opening the 7<sup>th</sup> seal – whose destruction and terror will exceed all the previous 6 seals. No sighs, no groans and no salvation in the day of their calamity. They will call out but Jesus will not listen –Micah3:4

RSV Ezekiel 9:4-5

4 And the Lord said to him, "Go through the city, through Jerusalem, **and put a mark upon the foreheads of the men who sigh and groan** over all the abominations that are committed in it."

5 And to the others he said in my hearing, "Pass through the city after him, and smite; your eye shall not spare, and you shall show no pity;

RSV Revelation 7:3-4

3 saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, till we have **sealed the servants of our God upon their foreheads.**"

4 And I heard the number of the sealed, a hundred and forty-four thousand sealed, out of every tribe of the sons of Israel,

RSV Micah 3:4 **Then they will cry to the Lord, but he will not answer them;** he will hide his face from them at that time, because they have made their deeds evil.

How can one speak to someone about Jesus when the churches are not denouncing Santa, Elves, wreaths, reindeer...



How would you respond to a non-Christian if he asked you why the Christian world celebrate Jesus' birth along with Santa, elves, reindeer, sleds, gift giving... when that was never part of the biblical story?

The churches have failed in informing the people about this and the people love it – Jer5:30-31 & 2Tim4:3-4

RSV Jeremiah 5:30-31

30 An **appalling and horrible thing has happened** in the land:

31 the prophets prophesy falsely, and the **priests rule at their direction;** **my people love to have it so,** but what will you do when the end comes?

RSV 2 Timothy 4:3-4

3 For the time is coming when **people will not endure sound teaching,** but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own likings,

4 **and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander into myths.**

What follows is a biblical nativity test to show what areas that more study is needed.

**Jesus birth Bible Quiz** (multiple selections are possible for each question)

<p><b>1) Who came to visit Jesus on the day He was born?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Three wise men</li> <li>b) Shepherds</li> <li>c) Santa</li> <li>d) Elves</li> <li>e) Reindeer</li> <li>f) Little drummer boy</li> </ul>	<p><b>2) What displays were at Jesus' birth</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Advent wreath and candles</li> <li>b) Menorah</li> <li>c) Animals</li> <li>d) Christmas tree with lights</li> <li>e) Christmas presents</li> <li>f) Manger</li> <li>g) Swaddling cloth</li> </ul>
<p><b>3) Where did the wise men see Jesus?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Bethlehem</li> <li>b) Nazareth</li> <li>c) Jerusalem</li> </ul>	<p><b>4) Where did Joseph, Mary &amp; Jesus go after they left Bethlehem?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Jerusalem</li> <li>b) Nazareth</li> <li>c) Egypt</li> </ul>
<p><b>5) What city was Jesus born in?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Jerusalem</li> <li>b) Bethlehem</li> <li>c) Bethany</li> <li>d) Nazareth</li> </ul>	<p><b>6) Where did the wise men see Jesus at?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) in a Manger</li> <li>b) in a House</li> <li>c) in the Temple</li> </ul>
<p><b>7) How long did Joseph, Mary &amp; Jesus stay in Bethlehem before leaving?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) 1 day</li> <li>b) 8 days</li> <li>c) 40 days</li> <li>d) 80 days</li> </ul>	<p><b>8) How old was Jesus when the wise men saw Him.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Baby (fresh born to 7 days old)</li> <li>b) Child (older than 7 days old)</li> <li>c) Child (close to 2 years old)</li> <li>d) Child (over 2 years old)</li> </ul>

Answers:

- 1) **b** Shepherds Lk2:15-20
- 2) **f** Manger Lk2:12 + **g** Swaddling cloth Lk2:12. No animals are listed in the Gospels as being present. The Shepherds were in the field with the animals and they came to location where the manger was at.
- 3) **b** Nazareth Lk2:39, Mt2:11
- 4) **a** Jerusalem Lk2:21-22
- 5) **b** Bethlehem Mt2:1
- 6) **b** in a House Mt2:11
- 7) **b** 8 days Lk2:21 (Lev12:3) or **c** 40 days Lk21:22,39 (Lev12:4-8)
- 8) **b** Child or **c** Child

Jesus was a child when the wise men saw him at Joseph and Mary's house in Nazareth at least 41+ days after Jesus was born and under 2 years old. This can be seen by looking at the definition of child and Baby in the bible.

Baby is #1025 *brephos* which can mean unborn infant or just born infant.

The word was used by Mary's cousin Elizabeth in Lk1:41 when Elizabeth said that her baby (John the Baptist) leaped in her womb. This term was for an infant not yet born.

Baby #1025 was also used in the passage of the shepherds seeing Jesus lying in a manger in Lk2:16. This context would be an infant of a couple of hours old.

Child is #3813 *paidion* which can mean infant or half grown boy or girl. It was used in Lk1:59 to describe John the Baptist at 8 days old and in Lk2:27 Jesus 40 days old.

When the wise men saw Jesus in Mt2:11 the term used to describe Jesus was Child #3813 indicating that Jesus was over 40 days old. Jesus was somewhere between 40 days to 2 years old (closer to 2 years old) when the wise men saw him. 2 years was the age that Herod determined the maximum safe age to kill all the male children in Bethlehem in order to kill Jesus – Mt2:16.

The manger scene of the shepherds and wise men is utterly false but no one is saying it.

In order to speak about Jesus during the Christmas season it would help if you knew the story of Jesus' birth:

<http://www.g2rp.com/InsightPDFs/Dec-23-2011-The-birth-of-Jesus.pdf>

There are churches across the land this Christmas season that will be displaying the nativity scene with the wise men and other typical trappings of this season (lighted trees...). From this study that can be shown to be false.

Either the churches don't know what's in the bible or they know and don't care (bad for church growth). In either case those churches have placed ignorance, money, lies and deception over the truth. One should flee as fast as they can from those churches because they don't have the love of the truth 2Th2:10-12.



RSV 2 Thessalonians 2:10-12

10 and with all wicked deception for those who are to perish, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved.

11 Therefore **God sends upon them a strong delusion, to make them believe what is false,**

12 so that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

In closing, Johnson City Texas population 1,361 (2010 Census) has carried the national trend of pushing Jesus out of Christmas; a day that was supposed to be reserved for him. Jesus has been pushed out of the spotlight into a corner while the god of the season, Santa, has parents teaching their children to go to him and ask for their hearts desire.

If you desire something then you should go to the one who not only listens to you but gives your heart's desire. Jesus gives you what you want if you do what his will is.

RSV 1 John 5:14 And this is the confidence which we have in him, that **if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.**

RSV Psalms 20:4 **May he grant you your heart's desire,** and fulfil all your plans!

RSV Psalms 21:2 **Thou hast given him his heart's desire,** and hast not withheld the request of his lips. Selah

Regards,  
David O'Malley

Called/Chosen + Hear + Believe + Repent + Confess + Baptize + Abide = Salvation -> Proclaim  
Mt22:14 + Lk11:28 + Mk16:16 + Mk6:12 + Rm10:9 + Acts2:38 + Heb10:26 = 1 Pt 3:21 -> Mt28:19-20

<p><b>2013 Completed Bible studies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 1/13/13 - War in the Heavens: Battle for the 1st Heaven II</li><li>- 1/19/13 - War in the Heavens: Battle for the 1st Heaven III</li><li>- 1/26/13 - War in the Heavens: Heaven's anguish, Hell's 3 day party</li><li>- 3/21/13 - Healing for His people</li><li>- 4/3/13 - Passover Paradigm Predicament</li><li>- 4/14/13 - Excuse me sirs, She just lied to you</li><li>- 4/21/13 - I, Wisdom part 1</li><li>- 4/31/13 - Sticks n stones break bones but words kill</li><li>- 5/8/13 - Israel between the Swords</li><li>- 5/29/13 - Can Pentecost be calculated? No but why not?</li><li>- 6/29/13 - End time parables of Jesus - part 1</li><li>- 7/24/13 - Seven times before the Mountain</li><li>- 8/3/13 - End time parables of Jesus - part 2</li><li>- 8/24/13 - (redo) End time parables of Jesus - part 2</li><li>- 9/17/13 - The friends that you keep</li><li>- 9/28/13 - Predestination</li><li>- 10/6/13 - Voice of a failed prophet</li><li>- 10/31/13 - Taking on Halloween</li><li>- 11/9/13 - Lone sheep terrorist</li><li>- 12/7/13 - Blasphemy in Johnson City</li></ul>	<p><b>Future studies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1- Second round Prophet</li><li>2- Conduits of evil/parable of the ant (~Halloween)</li><li>3- Fear of the Lord</li><li>4- End time parables of Jesus - part 3 Heaven</li><li>5- End time parables of Jesus - part 4 Outer darkness</li><li>- War in the Heavens: In search for a Power source</li><li>- Battle for the land</li><li>- wait, what happens if you don't wait</li></ul> <p>-----</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The Great Mountain Nation: what it is and what it isn't</li><li>- Enoch calendar overlaid on the prophets' end times</li><li>- The final battle: the war scrolls</li><li>- Apostles describing the end times</li><li>- Revelation end times overlaid on Prophet's end times</li><li>- Lost Acts, Washington, legends, folk tales</li><li>- History/Archeology of the movements of His people</li></ul> <p>-----</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Christian Soldiers group maneuvers</li><li>- Understanding, knowledge and wisdom &amp; Fear connection</li><li>- Fall of Jerusalem: departure of the King of Kings</li><li>- The Law - intro/controversy/importance</li><li>- The Law - distant, past, now, future</li></ul>
--	--

**Thought creating Tip:** Ice breaker to strangers during the cold snap:

(you) Hey, it's getting cold out there

(other person) yes it is

(you) but I'd rather be frozen right now than be in the eternal burning fires of hell.

RSV 1 Corinthians 14:34-35

34 the **women should keep silence in the churches. For they are not permitted to speak**, but should be subordinate, as even the law says.

35 If there is anything they desire to know, let them ask their husbands at home. For it is shameful for a woman to speak in church.

RSV Revelation 6:2-8

2 And I saw, and behold, a **white horse**, and its rider had a bow; and a crown was given to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer.

3 When he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, "Come!"

4 And out came another horse, **bright red**; its rider was permitted to take peace from the earth, so that men should slay one another; and he was given a great sword.

5 When he opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come!" And I saw, and behold, a **black horse**, and its rider had a balance in his hand;

6 and I heard what seemed to be a voice in the midst of the four living creatures saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius; but do not harm oil and wine!"

7 When he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature say, "Come!"

8 And I saw, and behold, a **pale horse**, and its rider's name was Death, and Hades followed him; and they were given power over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by wild beasts of the earth.

RSV Revelation 18:12-13

12 **cargo of gold**, silver, jewels and pearls, fine linen, purple, silk and scarlet, all kinds of scented wood, all articles of ivory, all articles of costly wood, bronze, iron and marble,

13 cinnamon, spice, incense, myrrh, frankincense, wine, oil, fine flour and wheat, cattle and sheep, horses and chariots, and slaves, that is, **human souls**.

RSV Luke 2:15-20

15 When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us."

16 And they went with haste, and found **Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger**.

17 And when they saw it they made known the saying which had been told them concerning this child;

18 and all who heard it wondered at what the **shepherds** told them.

19 But Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart.

20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

RSV Luke 2:12 And this will be a sign for you: you will find a **babe** (#1025) wrapped in **swaddling cloths and lying in a manger**."

RSV Luke 2:39 And when they had performed everything according to the law of the Lord, **they returned into Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth**.

RSV Matthew 2:11 and going into the house they **saw the child** (#3813) with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.

RSV Luke 2:21-22

21 And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

22 And when the time came for **their purification according to the law of Moses**, they brought him up to **Jerusalem** to present him to the Lord

RSV Leviticus 12:3-4,6-8

3 And on the **eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised**.

4 Then she shall continue for thirty-three days in the blood of her purifying; she shall not touch any hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary, **until the days of her purifying are completed.**

6 "And when the days of her purifying are completed, whether for a son or for a daughter, she shall bring to the priest at the door of the tent of meeting a lamb a year old for a burnt offering, and a young pigeon or a turtledove for a sin offering,

7 and he shall offer it before the Lord, and make atonement for her; then she shall be clean from the flow of her blood. This is the law for her who bears a child, either male or female.

8 And if she cannot afford a lamb, then she shall take two turtledoves or two young pigeons, one for a burnt offering and the other for a sin offering; and the priest shall make atonement for her, and she shall be clean."

RSV Matthew 2:1 NOW WHEN **Jesus was born in Bethlehem** of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying,

RSV Matthew 2:16 Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, was in a furious rage, and he sent and **killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under**, according to the time which he had ascertained from the wise men.

RSV Ezekiel 8:5-17

5 Then he said to me, "Son of man, lift up your eyes now in the direction of the north." So I lifted up my eyes toward the north, and behold, **north of the altar gate, in the entrance, was this image of jealousy.**

6 And he said to me, "Son of man, do you see what they are doing, **the great abominations** that the house of Israel are committing here, to drive me far from my sanctuary? But you will see still greater abominations."

7 And he brought me to the door of the court; and when I looked, behold, there was a hole in the wall.

8 Then said he to me, "Son of man, dig in the wall"; and when I dug in the wall, lo, there was a door.

9 And he said to me, "Go in, and **see the vile abominations** that they are committing here."

10 So I went in and saw; and there, portrayed upon the wall round about, were all kinds of creeping things, and loathsome beasts, and all the idols of the house of Israel.

11 And **before them stood seventy men of the elders of the house of Israel, with Ja-azaniah the son of Shaphan standing among them. Each had his censer in his hand, and the smoke of the cloud of incense went up.**

12 Then he said to me, "Son of man, have you seen what the elders of the house of Israel are doing in the dark, every man in his room of pictures? For they say, "The Lord does not see us, the Lord has forsaken the land.""

13 He said also to me, "You will see **still greater abominations** which they commit."

14 Then he brought me to the entrance of the north gate of the house of the Lord; and **behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz.**

15 Then he said to me, "Have you seen this, O son of man? You will **see still greater abominations** than these."

16 And he brought me into the inner court of the house of the Lord; and behold, **at the door of the temple of the Lord, between the porch and the altar, were about twenty-five men, with their backs to the temple of the Lord, and their faces toward the east, worshiping the sun toward the east.**

17 Then he said to me, "Have you seen this, O son of man? Is it too slight a thing for the house of Judah to commit the abominations which they commit here, that they should fill the land with violence, and provoke me further to anger? Lo, they put the branch to their nose.

8 postcards were sent to the following Johnson city Churches on 12/9/2013 with hope that at least one will stand up and lead in getting the nativity scene removed to a more respectful location. If the abomination remains then more postcards will be sent out to neighboring communities. Below is the text of the postcard, front side is on page 4. [http://www.johnsoncity-texas.com/business\\_category/cat\\_48\\_churches.html](http://www.johnsoncity-texas.com/business_category/cat_48_churches.html)

You shall have **no other gods before me.** (Ex 20:3)

The first commandment was violated on Nov 30, 2013 when Santa Claus was raised higher than Jesus Christ.

Santa Claus was placed in the Gazebo of City Park, Johnson City and Jesus was placed along the house of Excrement (restrooms).

I urge you to inform your congregation and take action and remove Jesus and the nativity from the obscene location of the toilets. This is a battle between Satan and Jesus. Be counted worthy to fight for Jesus. Show Jesus his honor and move Him to the Gazebo.

A son honors his father, and a servant his master. If then I am a father, **where is my honor?** And if I am a master, **where is my fear?** (Mal 1:6)

- A Concerned Christian