

# No Room for Jesus

## Introduction

### 1. There was no room in the Inn.

Luke 2:7 And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

#### A. There have been many sermons preached on this text.

##### 1) This is a sympathy getter.

- a) Many denominations during the Christmas season uses this to get donations and to persuade people to attend at least ONE service per year.
- b) They put on plays, pageants, front yard scenes, street scenes, window decorations, etc.
- c) The business world uses this scene to stimulate the flow of money which causes people to bind themselves to debts that they will be all the next year paying. In spite of the degrading use the verse has been put to; it is still worthy of our consideration.

##### 1. Christ and the gospel is not seasonal!

2 Timothy 4:2 Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching.

#### B. No room for Him who came to save people from their sins

Matthew 1:21 And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins."

## **No Room in the Roman Empire**

- 1. So Herod ordered the execution of the male children, hoping to have Him killed.**

**Matthew 2:16-18**

- A. Imagine a man trying to defy God and Divine inspiration!**

**Matthew 2:1-15**

- 1) Jesus was prophesied about.**

Micah 5:2 "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Though you are little among the thousands of Judah, Yet out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth are from of old, From everlasting."

Hosea 11:1 When Israel was a child, I loved him, And out of Egypt I called My son.

- B. Yet many today have the same idea as Herod.**

2 Peter 3:3 knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts,

- 1) They declare there is no God.**

Psalms 14:1 To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." They are corrupt, They have done abominable works, There is none who does good.

- 2) Many are striving to make this a godless nation.**

- 3) We either serve Christ or the world.**

Matthew 6:24 No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.

Matthew 6:33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

## **His Own Had No Room for Him**

John 1:11 He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him.

### **1. Only a few accepted Him.**

John 1:12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

### **2. Those who knew Him best, had no room for Him.**

**Matthew 13:53-58**

### **3. Nathaniel expressed the common attitude.**

John 1:46 And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see."

### **4. Today, we – Christians are His own. Do we have room for Him?**

**2 Corinthians 6:16-18**

## **Judas Had No Room for Him**

**Matthew 26:14-16, 47-49**

### **1. Judas served a purpose: He fulfilled prophecy.**

Psalms 41:9 Even my own familiar friend in whom I trusted, Who ate my bread, Has lifted up his heel against me.

**Matthew 26:21-25**

### **2. Offenses were to come.**

**Matthew 18:6-7**

#### **A. They serve a purpose**

1 Corinthians 11:19 For there must also be factions among you, that those who are approved may be recognized among you.

#### **B. Woe to the offenders.**

Matthew 13:41-42 The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and those who practice lawlessness, and will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

#### **C. Do we have room for Him? Are we really His friend?**

John 15:14 You are My friends if you do whatever I command you.

## **No Room in the World – It Put Him Out**

### **1. The one without any sin whatsoever was killed!**

Hebrews 4:15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.

### **Acts 3:13-15**

### **2. What would it be like to live in a godless world? Or what about living in a heathen nation?**

## **No Room for Christ in Schools**

### **1. Many have become seats of immorality and hotbeds of infidelity.**

**Judges 1:14-19**

## **Very Little Room Left in Homes**

### **1. Is Jesus a stranger in our homes? Is He a welcome guest? Are we hospitable?**

Hebrews 13:2 Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some have unwittingly entertained angels.

## **Not Much Room in the Religious World**

- 1. Take the teaching of Christ and the apostles and compare it with denominations and be convinced of this. The social gospel has crowded Jesus out.**
- 2. We can make the same comparison with many churches of Christ and come to the same conclusion!**
- 3. Do we really have room for Jesus in our life?**

John 14:23 Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him.

### **Conclusion**

- 1. Is the door to your heart open wide enough for Christ to enter?**
  - A. We need Christ everyday, and are commanded to meet upon the first day of EVERY WEEK to remember Him, not just on Christmas or Easter, or when the time moves us.**
  - B. Are we really and truly ready to dedicate the rest of our life to Jesus Christ, Let's make sure that we give Jesus plenty of room in our life.**

