

**Sunday – December 24, 2023**

**Advent Sermon Series: “When God?”**

**Fourth Sunday of Advent – Restoration**



***“When God Wrecked? Restored? My Christmas”***

**Colossians 2:13-15 and 1 John 3:8**

One of the hardest things about home renovations is that sometimes you have to tear something down before you can rebuild. Wrecking seems contrary to any restoration work. God wants to tear down what is broken, so the work of restoration in my life can begin.

**KEY VERSE:**

“The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil” (1 John 3:8).

This Christmas God reminds me...

**GOD RESTORES \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_ DEATH.**

Read *Colossians 2:13*.

Christmas is a season of \_\_\_\_\_.

Life can get depressing and it is easy to sometimes be overwhelmed. Jesus’ birth was God’s gift to bring us from death to life.

In what areas do I need God to bring life to my life again?

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In what area is my greatest struggle?

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**GOD RESTORES \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_  
CONDEMNATION**

Read *Colossians 2:14* and *Matthew 1:21*.

Christmas is a season of \_\_\_\_\_ forgiveness.

In what ways do I feel I still stand condemned before God? In what ways do I condemn myself for what God has already forgiven?

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**GOD RESTORES \_\_\_\_\_ AND WRECKS \_\_\_\_\_.**

Read *Colossians 2:15*.

Christmas rips victory from the hands of our \_\_\_\_\_.

Angels that night heralded and celebrated the coming of Jesus into the world to usher in his kingdom. How do I do the same? What can I learn from the angels’ response on this night?

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**THIS CHRISTMAS:**

Will I let God, through Jesus restore what is broken for me?