“HOPE ... the heart of Christmas!”

(Luke 2:1-20)

Sunday 17 December 2017
Dec 17 HOPE
I love Christmas.

Dec 24 PEACE
Christ came to bring peace to all.

Dec 25 LOVE
Love came down at Christmas!
Skitguys

“Christmas Confusion”
Did you ever hope for something on Christmas morning & it never happened?
Christmas is a time of HOPE!

HOPE was born
What were they hoping for?

What are you hoping for this Christmas?
Imagine ...
Every game rigged!
Our hope arrived in the most unlikely of forms ... a baby.
1903 - “The Horse is here to stay. The automobile is only a fad, a novelty.”

(President of the Michigan Savings Bank advising Henry Ford’s lawyer not to invest in the Ford Motor Company)
1962 - “We don’t like their sound and guitar music is on the way out.”

(Decca Recording Company who rejected the Beatles)
2007 - “There is no chance that the iPhone is going to get any significant market share”
(Steve Ballmer, Microsoft CEO)
What sort of Messiah are you looking for?
“Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.”

(Luke 2:10)
Jesus’ birth is good news & hope to all of us
What sort of Hope are we holding to and celebrating?

What sort of hope are we wanting to share?
What will you do to give others a taste of HOPE this Christ-mas?
“Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.”
~ Romans 12:10 ~
Let’s pray