



*The Fullness
of Christmas*



O come, O come,
Emmanuel,
And ransom
captive Israel,
That mourns in
lonely exile here
until the Son of God appears.
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel,
shall come to thee,
O Israel.

Hope is a beginning expression of faith. Through spiritual practice, hope evolves into its fuller expression, which is faith. Faith is the sure knowledge that our good is ours, right here, right now. Faith does not waver.

Rev. Karen Shepherd – *“A Christmas to Remember”*

As a man thinks in his heart, so is he.

Prov. 23.7

Jesus answered them, “Truly I tell you, if you have faith and do not doubt, it will be done. Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive.

Matt. 21.21-22

According to your faith,
let it be done to you.

Matt. 9.29



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Growing My Faith

1 – One Presence, One Power
Life is for me.

2 – Divine Substance
There's always plenty to go around.

3 – Divine Ideas
My mind is filled with good ideas.

4 – Law of Mind Action
I set the Law in motion for good.

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5 – Gratitude

I'm grateful for the loving Source of my well-being.

6 – Affirm your Faith

I can do all things through my faith in the Christ as me.

7 – Live Generously

I am God's Good in expression.

As a Jew, I rest in God's unconditional love and the ever-flowing blessings that come to me through divine grace. I do not, however, believe that the world has yet been redeemed. In a redeemed world, swords will be turned into ploughshares, nobody will go hungry, the powerless will not be oppressed, and justice will prevail everywhere. This was the vision of the Biblical Prophets, and it remains the foundation of Jewish hope for the future.

If I were God expressing...

What would I want the spirit of the holidays to be this year?

What gift could I be in the world this season?

What is my reason for the season?