

WELCOME TO HAVEN

December 15, 2019

* *Worship Songs*

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

"Who You Say I Am"

"Jesus Is Better"

Advent & Offering

Song

"Salt & Light"

Scripture

Hebrews 11:1, 6; Luke 2:16-20 (NIV)

Prayer

Message

"CATM: Polar Expressed Belief"

Jack D. Cohen

**Prayer Time*

"We Believe"

**Closing*



CHRISTMAS

at the

MOVIES

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'Nothing in a movie this big ends up in the script by accident.'

– Robert Zemeckis

✓ **The main theme in *The Polar Express* is _____**

✓ **Problem: We don't believe in _____ anymore**

- Our culture's beliefs are more & more _____ of God

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life"
– John 3:16

ENEMIES OF BELIEF:

1) **Believe might make me look _____**

"Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see."

– Hebrews 11:1

"Anyone who chooses to do the will of God will find out whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own."

– John 7:17

"And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him."

– Hebrews 11:6

2) _____ **& disappointment**

POLAR EXPRESSED BELIEF

- Pain doesn't draw you away from God unless you _____ it

"Come near to God and he will come near to you."

– James 4:8a

OUR BEST GIFT:

✓ **...is not one you can _____ or _____**

"Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!"

– 2 Corinthians 9:15

✓ **...enables us _____**

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

– Matthew 11:28-30

✓ **... is lived out when we _____ & _____ God & others**

"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them..."

– Matthew 18:20

✓ **...is never stop _____ even when it seems it has been _____**

"When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about. So they hurried off...But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.'"

– Luke 2:15-16; 19-20