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# CHRISTMAS AT THE CREEK

...A FAMILY TRADITION!

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES!

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>**  
FROM 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM

IF THIS IS YOUR  
**FIRST TIME**  
...THANKS FOR JOINING US!

WE WOULD LOVE TO MEET YOU! STOP AND MEET A PASTOR  
TO THE RIGHT OF THE STAGE AFTER THE SERVICE.

**SCAN**  
**THE CODE**  
FOR A LIST OF  
IMPORTANT  
ROCK CREEK LINKS!

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SERMON BY  
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## HOW TO GET READY FOR CHRISTMAS

### 1. THE LIGHT SHINES BRIGHTER WHEN

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✦ **EVEN THE** \_\_\_\_\_

*“The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.”  
Galatians 5:6*

### 2. THE LIGHT SHINES BRIGHTER WHEN

\_\_\_\_\_.

✦ **FIND WAYS TO** \_\_\_\_\_

*“Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down,  
shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap.  
The amount you give will determine the amount you get back.”  
Luke 6:38*

### 3. THE LIGHT SHINES BRIGHTER WHEN

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✦ **GIVE WHAT THEY** \_\_\_\_\_

*“Make allowance for each other’s faults, and forgive anyone who offends you.  
Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.”  
Colossians 3:13*

### 4. THE LIGHT SHINES BRIGHTER WHEN

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✦ **CUT OUT** \_\_\_\_\_

*“Do everything without complaining and arguing,<sup>15</sup> so that no one can  
criticize you. Live clean, innocent lives as children of God, shining like bright  
lights in a world full of crooked and perverse people.”  
Philippians 2:14-15*

### 5. THE LIGHT SHINES BRIGHTER WHEN

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✦ **YOU CHOOSE WHO AND WHAT GETS**

\_\_\_\_\_ **IN YOUR LIFE.**

*“So be careful how you live. Don’t live like fools, but like those who are wise.  
<sup>16</sup> Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days.” Ephesians 5:15-16*

*“I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation...”  
Philippians 4:12*

### 6. THE LIGHT SHINES BRIGHTER WHEN

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✦ **PEOPLE NEED TO** \_\_\_\_\_

**AND** \_\_\_\_\_

*“In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may  
see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.”  
Matthew 5:16*