

Back Home Another Way

Matt. 2:12.

For some days we have been approaching the Baby Jesus and His birthday..We came to His birthday Sunday.

Now we are leaving that day and its cradle behind and are going soon into another year.

In our Scripture to night we saw people come to the cradle. While there they were warned in a dream not to go back the way they had come, so they went home another way.

When we read this text we see certain faces..

a.Face of Herod..unfriendly but pretending to be friendly.It Rends my heart to see any one pretend friendship to Christ and not mean it. Pretend religion that there may be

gained honor and position. He saw Christ as his rival and pretended friendship that he might kill Christ...that was an unfriendly face

*alcoholism-
materialism
totalitarianism*

b. Shepherds faces are around His birth..They had joyful faces...they had no selfish motives and did not travel the road to murder babies.

c. Father and mother faces.. Faces of protection..We see them getting out of the danger zone. They fled, we can not flee the danger zones so we have to protect them some how else.

d. Faces of Wise men. This is where you will always expect faces of the wise..around Jesus.

As they visited Jesus they learned that the road to Herod was a dangerous road. God taught them at the cradle.

They there learned another way home.

Since we have visited His ~~cradle at the Xmas time let~~
be ever on the God directed road.

Don't you find it in your heart to pray that many^a soul having heard the Xmas story has gone home another way from that usually traveled. Some go home the enemy road that leads to sinful places, such as gambling, drinking, etc. Doing this we are helping the eternal enemy of Christ to kill Him, as it were, in the hearts of people.

Jesus said, "I am the Way". Listen dear friends, the best thing you or I can do this coming year will be to win some one from the evil way into the Way Christ Jesus. If people go home that way it means a happy journey

and a happy home. "They went home another way." They did not go back the Herod way as he had asked them to do but went the way God warned them to go.

In this Way we do not kill babies or break parents hearts but we help to build them up in a Holy faith...

many a person changes roads at cradle

"They went back home another way

155 - 7 outsteps of Jesus

204 - He leadeth me

171 - where He leads me

