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"Your Role As Witness"

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[Acts 22:15](#) (NIV) [Acts 22:15](#) (KJV) [Acts 22:15](#) (AMP)

Christmas time is when many hear sermons and other teaching about the Christ Child, and Mary, but today, let's talk about the donkey. You may ask, "What's spiritual about the donkey?" I'm so glad you asked.

The scriptures do not give us details on which animals were present when Mary gave birth, but very likely there was a donkey, a cow, and/or a sheep. So, what is the importance of any farm animal, donkey or otherwise, at Christ's birth? It could not help with the birth, it could not wrap the baby after birth, why would God have his promised Messiah born in a place where animals, instead of people, would more likely be around? Our Heavenly Father has a purpose in all he does, of what purpose was the donkey or other animals at Christ's birth?

Consider: the animals were witnesses. They saw everything that happened.

We also are witnesses to what Christ has done in our lives and the lives of those around us. There may be times that we wonder how could God use us, we are just... us! What purpose could we serve in God's scheme of things?

Well, what purpose could a donkey serve? The same animal that likely carried Mary to Bethlehem, and carried Mary and Jesus on the harrowing escape to Egypt, and whose distant cousin carried Jesus into Jerusalem years later as people shouted "Hosanna!" just days before they shouted, "Crucify Him!" was a silent witness to the miracles God performed about 2000 years ago.

We are now witnesses to the miracles God is performing in our time. The difference, is that we have voices. We can, and need to, tell people all around us of the miracles God has performed in our lives and that he's willing to do the same for them.

Remember...

We need to always focus on Christ!

The blessing of our Lord on you and all that is yours by blood, adoption or assignment!

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