



## Merry Christmas!

This time of year, the North Pole is the best place to be, everyone working together--just like a family. I love the excitement! The elves are busily finishing up in the Toy Workshop, and Rudolph and the other reindeer are hard at work preparing to lead Santa's sleigh. That is the spirit of Christmas, working as a team to do good things. But you are so good! Always thinking of others. God bless you!

Sometimes we get wrapped up in the commercialism of the holidays. Even the three wise men brought gifts to the baby Jesus, in the gold, myrrh, and frankincense. But what they really gave the baby Jesus was their love and loyalty. And their faith in Him. That He would change the world. And you are changing the world yourself, for everything you do to help others is just a reflection of God's greatest gift to us. For God so loved the world, He gave his only Son.

You understand that that is what Christmas really is all about: giving gifts that can't be wrapped and tucked under the tree. The presents that really matter are the ones that come from our hearts. You are such an inspiration! You are an angel on earth to those around you. Blessed they are to have you in their lives. For whenever an act of kindness is performed on earth, the angels in Heaven sing for joy. I believe that is the reason for the season: to teach us to share of ourselves and our God-given talents. To remind others of God's love for us. And to make the world a better place. And for all you do, I declare you an angel on earth.

God bless you. Have a very joyous and blessed holiday this season. And never forgot how much God loves and values you. You are a child of God, and a light in the world. Merry Christmas!

Love, Ariel



## The Christmas Angel