THE CAST OF CHRISTMAS

Prophets: Preparation & Expectation "A season of expectation & celebration"

- I. Expected delivery
 - A. Protos = $\underline{\text{first}}$. Evangelium = good news; gospel.
 - B. Genesis 3:15; Micah 5:2
- II. Preparation begins with repentance
 - A. Repentance = to <u>turn</u>. Mind & direction.
 - B. Matthew 3:2,8,11; Psalm 51:17
- III. Preparation increases with expectation
 - A. Where is my focus?
 - B. I John 3:3
- IV. Preparation brings fruit
 - A. Repentance of the heart results in behavioral change
 - B. Matthew 3:8
- V. Expected <u>rescue</u>
 - A. The ultimate rescue mission!
 - B. Matthew 18:11