

# MERRY CHRISTMAS REBELLION (HOSEA 13)

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## LYRICS

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dedicated to THE Only Wise One, 6 June 2012

Album: Amazing Christ 'w' Christmas

“Yet I **AM the LORD your God** ever since the land of Egypt,  
And you shall know no God but Me; for there is **no savior besides Me**....I will ransom  
them from the power of the grave; I will **redeem** them from death.

**O Death, I will be your plagues! O Grave, I will be your destruction!** “

-- a **WOW** promise from God fulfilled by Jesus: Hosea 13, quoting verses 4 and 14

## CHORUS\*

*For entire song, pronounce with a Long i sound.*

Merry **CHRISTmas**, Joy-filled **CHRISTmas**, now and all year long! I  
care, and pray for you, dear one, I pray this all-year song.  
Merry **CHRISTmas**, may you have **CHRIST** in your heart, So  
you will have His joy and peace.... and a happy **CHRISTmas**!

**1**

People say it's no longer politically correct to  
greet you with a quiet smile and say, “Merry Christmas.” And  
yet I care for you so much, whether a stranger or friend. and  
so all year I pray you'll have the peace of **CHRIST** Jesus, so >>> CHORUS

**2**

The **LORD** God who's been with us through our many sorrows is  
our only Savior, come to save us from sorrows [or 'HORRORS']  
Jesus, God's Son, came as a babe, but He grew up and died. God's  
**CHRISTmas** gift, destroying death; Hosea 13's promised Savior! so >>> CHORUS

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**3**

“**PEACE** I offer You,” Jesus said. John 14, God's Son's own Words.  
Hosea 13's *Savior gift*. So **MERRY CHRISTMAS, PEACE TO YOU!**

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“**LOVE** I offer You,” Jesus said. John 14, God's Son's own Words.  
Hosea 13's *Savior gift*. So **MERRY CHRISTMAS, LOVE TO YOU!**

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“**JOY** I offer You,” Jesus said. John 14, God's Son's own Words.  
Hosea 13's *Savior gift*. So **MERRY CHRISTMAS, JOY TO YOU!**

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## Song Story.

OK, I'll admit it: When people wish me a "Happy Holidays", I either reply "Yes, Happy HOLYdays" or I say "Merry CHRISTmas" with a long i to pronounce Christ's name correctly. And OK, I'll admit it: I enjoy watching their expressions. And a LOT of them laugh! Try it yourself!

This song was written in about an hour on a very hot June day. Maybe I was wishing for snow, but I honestly don't know why I was thinking about a holy day 5 months behind our calendar and 7 months ahead.... except to say that God inspired the idea.

And I shall confess.... The initial concept came from an irritation as I read something about people being unwilling to share the joy that THEY know about Jesus with other people for fear of not being so-called politically correct. even while people are afraid to even comment upon anyone of a different faith sharing THEIR ideas.

We who know the joy of being FREED from fears of physical death that SHALL come to 100% of people can -- if we ask God -- also be **freed from the fear** of "offending" people when **offering them this peace**.... see 2 Timothy 1:7 and 8.

We simply must humbly ask God's Holy Spirit for Wisdom on how to speak... and when to speak. And surely at Christmas time we should have the courage to respond to the words "Happy Holidays" with the actual blessing sought for the other person -- Merry **CHRIST**-mas. With a long sound for the letter I.....

\*\* Our Savior was promised back in Hosea's writings 100s of years before Jesus was born as a tiny baby.

\*\* Jesus destroyed death... for those who accept Him as LORD. See Romans 10: 9 & the comfort of First Corinthians 15.

SO YES, CHRISTMAS AND ALL YEAR IS A JOY BECAUSE OF GOD'S GIFT.....