- (1) recognition of the meaning of Christmas
 - -- the occasion of God's greatest love-gift
 - -- the incarnation of Christ
- (2) rejoicing at the meaning of Christmas
 - -- mankind has a Savior
 - -- peace is coming to earth at His return
- (3) worship of the One who gives ultimate meaning to Christmas
 - -- adoration of Christ
 - -- the bringing of gifts to Him
- (4) witnessing of the meaning of Christmas
 - -- witnessing to God's revelation of Christ
 - -- witnessing to our experience of Christ

I believe that if we focus our attention on the biblical elements, the traditional elements will by and large take care of themselves, and we will strike a balance that will be both realistic and Christ-honoring! By God's grace let us determine to do this at this Christmas season!