Series: "THE ____THAT STOLE CHRISTMAS"
Part 3: "THE HURT OF HOPELESSNESS"
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9 An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 10 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. 11 Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.

Luke 2:9-11 (NIV)

36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

Matthew 9:36 (NIV)

Christmas reminds us….

1. **Your _____ feeling does not have to result in a _____ feeling**

   12 In those days you were living apart from Christ. You were excluded from citizenship among the people of Israel, and you did not know the covenant promises God had made to them. You lived in this world without God and without hope. 13 But now you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ.

   Ephesians 2:11-13 (NLT)

2. **Your _____ is a _____**

The solution….

- **_____ the One who came to _____ you!**

  22 All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: 23 "The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" (which means "God with us").

  Matthew 1:22-23 (NIV)

  14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

  John 1:14 (NIV)

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