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Pastor Ed

Title: Home for Christmas

Text: Luke 2:13-20

Target: The journey toward Christmas has taken a minute to get here, but it unwraps in seconds. "Home for Christmas" is making the choice not just to do Christmas, but be Christmas.

I. The Host of Heaven magnifies Jesus: "And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying," (Vs. 13)

A. Gives The Highest Praise: "Glory to God in the highest" (Vs. 14a)

B. Brings the Deepest Peace: "On earth peace among those with whom he is pleased-goodwill among men" (Vs. 14b)

II. A Soul that's Saved pursues Jesus: "When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem..." (Vs. 15a)

A. Their Hearts were Convinced: "...and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." (Vs. 15b)

B. Their Hearts were Consumed: "And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger." (Vs. 16)

C. Their Hearts were Changed: "And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child." (Vs. 17)

III. The Wonderer is always Welcome around Jesus: "And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them." (Vs. 18)

IV. A Heart of Humility embraces Jesus: "But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart." (Vs. 19)

A. Overjoyed by God's Goodness: "treasured"- to keep closely together, never to forget.

B. Overjoyed by God's Grace: "pondering" - to bring together or to converse.

V. The Life that's changed shares Jesus: "And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them." (Vs. 20)

A. Our Worship is the Fuel: "glorifying and praising"

B. Our Testimony is the Fire: "as it had been told them"

Takeaway: Leave something out from your Christmas decorations until next Christmas as a reminder to never forget the importance of Christmas, not just being in your home, but also in your heart.