

The Meaning

Philippians 2

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What is the purpose of Christmas?

The True Meaning of Christmas

God can use ANYONE for GREAT things.

Luke 2:4-7 – 4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David,
5 to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child.
6 And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth.
7 And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

All we bring is TRUST and AVAILABILITY.

Outsiders were the FIRST to see the LIGHT.

Whether you FEEL inside or outside, God SHINES light THROUGH you.

Humility is GREATNESS.

Luke 2:7 – 7 And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

Philippians 2:5-8 – 5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And

being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Disciples LIVE HUMBLY.

All VIRTUE belongs to GOD.

Small Group Questions:

What usually shapes your Christmas more—meaning or busyness?
Why?

Which part of the Christmas story do you relate to most right now, and why?

How did God prepare you in the past for future responsibility?

Where have you seen light show up recently in your life or around you?

How does Jesus' humility challenge the way we define success?