

## ADVENT SERMON SERIES: CHRISTMAS MISSION

### THE MISSION OF THE MANGER: A SAVIOR SENT TO SAVE

#### **Mission of the Manger**

Luke 2:8-14 (NLT)

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#### **Scripture Reading**

**8** That night there were shepherds staying in the fields nearby, guarding their flocks of sheep. **9** Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared among them, and the radiance of the Lord's glory surrounded them. They were terrified, **10** but the angel reassured them. "Don't be afraid!" he said. "I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people. **11** The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David! **12** And you will recognize him by this sign: You will find a baby wrapped snugly in strips of cloth, lying in a manger." **13** Suddenly, the angel was joined by a vast host of others—the armies of heaven—praising God and saying, **14** "Glory to God in highest heaven, and peace on earth to those with whom God is pleased."

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#### **Sermon Sentence**

*Christmas ought to remind you and I that God chose the lowest place to launch the greatest rescue for the messiest people.*

#### **Point 1:**

**YOU MUST UNDERSTAND GOD USES ORDINARY PEOPLE**

**Point 2:**

**YOU MUST GIVE GOD EXTRAORDINARY PRAISE**

**Point 3:**

**YOU MUST FULFILL GOD'S EXTRAORDINARY PURPOSE**