

Sermon Notes

Christmas movies do at least one of these three things:

- 1) Encourage us to Believe**
- 2) Challenge us to Change**
- 3) Remind us to Give Thanks**

2 Corinthians 3:18 (ESV)

The Holy Ghost of Christian Past (or Non-Christian Past)

- You can't change your past... but you can change your perspective.**

Philippians 3:13-14 (ESV)

The Holy Ghost of Christian Present

- You can't always change your circumstances... but you can change your responses.**

Acts 16:16-31 (ESV)

The Holy Ghost of Christian Future

- You can't change on your own... But you will change with Jesus and His people.**

Ephesians 4:15-16 (NLT)

Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?**
- 2) What area of your life is God urging you to change? How did you come to recognize this? What are you doing about it?**
- 3) Read Philippians 3:13-14. Have you ever struggled with dwelling on your past? Explain. What might it look like for you to 'strain forward' and 'press on' to the future in Jesus?**
- 4) How do you typically respond to difficult circumstances? Have you ever overcome a difficult circumstance by choosing to respond in a different way? Explain.**