



WELCOME

When you were growing up, what teacher, coach or relative made you feel special?

WORSHIP

Read Psalm 8 or Listen to "I've Witnessed It" - Garrett & Kate
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Al1cXTGeAXk>

WORD

Message Title: "Good News for the Despised" | Luke: Good News for Broken People (Part 5) | Pastor Bryan James, 5/31/26

Scriptures: Luke 2:1-21

1. What stood out to you in the message this week? Why?
2. **Read Luke 2:1-21.** Why do you think God chose to announce the birth of his Son to the shepherds?
3. Why were the shepherds 'despised'? (What does Pastor Bryan mean by "despised"?)
4. God appeared to the shepherds when they were just being themselves, when they least expected it. What does this imply about what it means to be "spiritual"? What does it tell us about how God chooses to reveal himself?
5. Pastor Bryan shared his personal testimony and revelation while in the hills of Bethlehem of how he came to have a relationship with God. What parts of his story do you relate to? Share with the group how you came to have a relationship with God.
6. In one or two sentences, what is the good news for the 'despised'?
7. How can the group encourage and pray for you this week?

WITNESS

Who was the first "angel" who told you about Jesus? Who would you like to tell about what Jesus has done in your life? (A neighbor, family member, co-worker, friend?) Let's pray for an opportunity for you to share the good news with them.

CLOSING PRAYER & INTERCESSION

Share prayer requests and pray for one another.
Allow space to wait and listen for God to speak, as you pray.