

## 2023\_12\_17 Joy



**1** Group The Good News of Adven...

In the same region, shepherds were *staying* out in the fields and *keeping watch* at night over their flock.  
Luke 2v8 (CSB)

**2** Group

Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.  
Luke 2v9 (CSB)

**3**

But the angel said to them, "Don't be afraid, for look, I proclaim to you good news of **great joy** that will be for all the people:

**4**

Today in the city of David a **Savior** was born for you, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be the sign for you: You will find a baby wrapped tightly in cloth and lying in a manger."  
Luke 2v10-12 (CSB)

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They hurried off and found both Mary and Joseph, and the baby who was lying in the manger.  
Luke 2v16 (CSB)

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After seeing them, they reported the message they were told about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.  
Luke 2v17-18 (CSB)

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The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had seen and heard, which were just as they had been told.  
Luke 2v20 (CSB)

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Authentic joy comes from being with Jesus.

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Joy is not pleasure nor is it comfort.

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Habits and practices that remove Jesus from the center of our life kills joy.

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Habits and practices that help us open ourselves to encounter Jesus, produces lasting joy.

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I have told you these things so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete.  
John 15v11 (CSB)

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Authentic joy comes from being with Jesus which causes us to respond in joyful worship and mission.

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