

LIFE GROUPS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Is Christmas more of a time you enjoy or endure? Please explain.
2. Read Luke 2:8-9. Describe what the shepherds experienced. What were they afraid of?
3. Read Luke 2:10-12. Contrast the “fear” the shepherds felt with the “great joy” the angel proclaimed. What was so great about this “good news?”
4. How do we neglect this good news in our everyday lives? How does the gospel inspire you when life is scary?
5. Read Luke 2:13-14. What would these sights and sounds have been like for the shepherds?
6. The angels proclaimed the greatness of God to the shepherds. How does the angels’ response inform what our response should be?
7. The angels proclaimed that God has provided “glory” and “peace” through Jesus Christ. What keeps you from experiencing this “glory” and “peace” in your life?
8. Read Luke 2:15-20. What was the response of the shepherds to the message of the angels? What impact did the shepherds have in their world?
9. How much of the purpose of God did Mary, Joseph, the shepherds and those the shepherds told understand? Why is it significant that God used these people who did not know the whole story at this point in time?
10. “Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart” (v. 19). How does her example apply to you?
11. Pastor Craig challenged us to “tell someone” what God has done for us this week. Who will you tell?



Repeat the Sounding Joy

Luke 2:8-20

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