



Joy of the Savior
Luke 2:8-13
December 19, 2021

Getting Started:

- Finish this sentence: All I want for Christmas is _____.
- What is the best Christmas gift you have ever received?

Going Deeper:

- What is God showing you this week as you read his Word and pray?
- What decisions or life struggles do you need Biblical direction or prayer for?

As a Life Group, review the Scripture passages from the sermon:

- Luke 2:8-13
- Philippians 2:6-8
- Matthew 1:21
- Ephesians 2:8-9

What is the chief end of man?

- The chief end of man is to glorify God and enjoy him forever.

Sermon discussion:

1. What do you think is the key message of these verses? Explain why you think this.
2. After hearing the message and reading the scriptures, what was your biggest takeaway and why?
3. In what ways do these truths, which were written thousands of years ago, apply today?
4. Which point in the sermon spoke to you the most? How did it affect you?
5. In what ways do these passages point to Christ? What can we share with others about Him from what we just heard and read?

Spend some time in prayer together as a group:

Pray for Our Church:

- Ask God to use us as instruments for His purpose and glory.
- Pray that we are a GOING church, proclaiming the gospel to the nations.
- Ask God to help each of us to live a life that reflects Him.
- Pray for all of our campuses.
- Pray for our pastors and leadership here at Gateway.

Pray for Our City:

- The government and civic leaders
- Those in need in our community and the services that help them
- The fire and police departments
- Schools, students, and teachers

Pray for Our World:

- Pray for the Christ-followers in Sri Lanka, Lebanon, Cuba, Afghanistan, and Bangladesh.
- Pray for all of those who are being persecuted in harm's way for the Kingdom.
- Pray that the message of Christ will reach all of mankind.

Pray for Life Groups at Gateway:

- Pray for those who are leading our groups.
- Pray that everyone involved in our groups would continue to be rooted in the Word and connected to each other.
- Pray for relationships to grow with other Christ-followers and that we will encourage and care for one another.
- Pray for discipleship opportunities.

As you go throughout your week:

- Read the passages used in this week's message. Write down any scriptures you need to be reminded of on sticky notes and place them around the house. Try to memorize as many as you can.
- Reflect on the message and ask God to give you His strength as you follow Him.
- Pray that, as Christ-followers, we would reflect the change God has made in us.
- Go back and listen or watch the sermon if you missed it or you need to be reminded of its truths.