



Christmas Eve Service 2025
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LIFEgroup Discussion Guide

Icebreaker Questions:

1. Is there a Christmas tradition in your family that the holidays don't feel complete without?
2. What's the most memorable gift you've received?

LIFEgroup Lesson

I. Discussion Questions

1. Jake talked about the juxtaposition and difference between the "two holidays" we really celebrate at Christmas. With one being about Jesus's birth, and the other being about Black Friday shopping, gifts, Santa, and twinkly lights. Do you tend to lean into one of the focuses over the other? Do you find yourself getting defensive about your position?
2. Over the course of this sermon series, we've been talking a lot about waiting on God and His promises. Where have you had to wait on the Lord? Can you share about a time when He showed up in your waiting even if it wasn't what you initially expected?
3. Read *Isaiah 9:2-6* together. Jake talked about the context of these verses and how the people were living in self-destructive cycles as the world around them got darker and darker. Have you found yourself caught in a self-destructive cycle? What did you do to interrupt that pattern or cycle?
4. Jake helped us understand that Wonderful Counselor doesn't mean "awesome therapist" but is more referring to how God's wisdom and counsel are so incredible that it should cause a sense of wonder in us. Share about a time where you needed God's wisdom and it showed up for you in a way that inspired wonder, worship, or awe.
5. Jake ended the sermon by talking about how God is waiting on us in a variety of ways. He may be waiting for us to accept His gift of salvation or waiting on us to trust Him. He might be waiting for us to take a step in obedience even when it seems scary. Where do you sense God waiting on you or asking you to take a step and how can we as a group encourage you to move closer to Him in that way?