

## **Christmas Traditions: Movies**

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#### **Getting Started**

Take some time to catch up and connect as a group. Pray before discussion. Expect God to move through your time together!

#### **Pacing Your Group**

Move quickly through "observation" leaving enough time for "reflection", "discussion", and "surrender."

## **Scripture Reading**

Re-read the scripture passages as needed when you discuss the questions.

### Observation: What does this scripture passage say?

Take some time to look up and read: Matthew 1:18-23, Isaiah 9:1-7, Luke 2:8-11, John 1:12-13

- 1. How can Joseph and Mary's messy "family situation" be an encouragement to us?
- 2. How does Old Testament prophecy point specifically to the birth and life of Jesus?

# Reflection and Discussion: What are some first thoughts flowing from the scriptures? Talk together about how the scriptures connect to everyday life.

- 3. What is your favorite Christmas movie? What do you like about it? How can you connect this movie to the story of Christ?
- 4. What aspects of faith and hope are the most important to remember in this season? What is the opportunity in Christmas for a Christian?
- 5. Christmas is a time of remembering. Share a Christmas tradition or memory that means something significant to you.
- 6. How can the story of the birth of Jesus help us to share the gospel? Give a short gospel presentation to your group and include the birth of Jesus in your sharing.

Surrender: Responding to God's voice.

- 7. What is one thing God is saying to you through this study and discussion?
  - \*\* Take some time to pray for one another in response to what has been discussed today \*\*