

•10Then the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. 11For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. 12And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger.” 13And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: 14“Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!” 15So it was, when the angels had gone away from them into heaven, that the shepherds said to one another, “Let us now go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us.” 16And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger. 17Now when they had seen Him, they made widely known the saying which was told them concerning this Child. 18And all those who heard it marveled at those things which were told them by the shepherds. 19But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.  
**Luke 2:10-19**

- We keep photographs from important events and stages in our lives. We hold on to snapshots of people from our most important relationships. We appreciate moments of natural beauty through photographs.
- Most of us have our favorite photographs decorating our homes, offices... ***Nobody wants to see your photos! HA***
- It's fun to capture moments with others.**
- And the most important ones are deemed **Frame Worthy.**
- If the first Christmas would have had SELFIES, I wonder if it would have looked anything like we see in pictures today?***
  - Would they have Framed that Moment?*** Dirty, cast outs, 9mo riding donkey, MONTHS traveling from far east! Depends on who's in the Frame!
- We all have an imaginary Frame. *Frames Hold History-We set moments in it. - We see through it.***
- What's in your frames?** - Reminders, good bad, inspirational...
  - ***A Frame sets my FOCUS. My Focus is Framing my Future.***
- Pay attention to how you frame things, how you frame decisions, how you frame relationships, how you frame experiences in life. Your internal narratives can be helpful but they can be harmful. Our internal narratives actually have the potential to set us up to repeat the past,

repeat our failures, and become our own worst enemies. **What are you FRAMING?**

### Walk Through Your Gallery

• **What's on the WALLS of YOUR Gallery?** Supposed to be Artists'/ photographers finest work. **Behind every picture there's a story.**

### Framing False pasts and presents. - **It wasn't/not that bad - wasn't/Not that good!**

• **Reframing**— **Creating a different way of looking at a situation, person or relationship by changing its meaning.**

• **Meant Evil. Mary Pondered- FRAMED-** **to bring together in one's mind.** Everything thing she'd been through...

• **Not the picture that's different. It's the FRAME!**

### 4 Corners to a Frame. Favor, Love, Mercy, Goodness

• What most people would think is bad—I'm framing as good!

• **God wants to give you FRAMEABLE MOMENTS this Christmas!**

### Empty Frames - Filled with someone else's picture • You're framing/focus someone else's life.

• **We've got too many moments sitting in storage that were Frame Worthy!**

• **The shepherds returned and let loose, glorifying and praising God for everything they had heard and seen. It turned out exactly the way they'd been told! Luke 2:20 MSG**

• It's time to frame some memories that have been sitting in the archive.

• **Miracle Moments- Saved, Filled, Freed, Healed!!!**

• **Bef/Aft pic-** It's easy to honor God when you look at your before!

### Framing the Wrong Future

• You're framing things that haven't even happened.

• Frame Brings FOCUS! FIX your FRAME, FIX your FOCUS.

• **Royal Wedding. Queen was in the Room.**

• **Sometimes you need to ZOOM out!**

• **Well- I've had hard times- ZOOM OUT! The King is in the ROOM!**

• What if you Framed God's **Promises** instead of the devils **Possibilities?**

### God's Gallery

• **The things you didn't see- Thank God for what didn't happen**

- There's a reason You're still here.-You don't have to look for a miracle... YOU ARE ONE!

**Cut it OUT!**

- ***Don't let what was a miracle become ordinary! Christmas!!!***
- ***Do You Have An Empty Frame?***