

# Advent: Heralding the Gift of the Father

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*Luke 2:8-14*

*Genesis 12:2-3*

*2 "I will make you into a great nation,  
and I will bless you;  
I will make your name great,  
and you will be a blessing.  
3 I will bless those who bless you,  
and whoever curses you I will curse;  
and all peoples on earth  
will be blessed through you."*

*15 When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." 16 So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. 17 When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, 18 and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. 20 The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.*

- 1. Be Grateful of the calling to herald the message.**
- 2. Be Reverent of the God who chooses the lowly.**
- 3. Be Willing to Herald the wonderful message of Christmas.**