

York St Small Groups

Sermon Based Studies

SUNDAY 1 December 2019

Uncluttered

Christmas Present

Luke 2:13-20



Please note that these studies are designed to be explored after hearing the Sunday Sermon and also to be accompanied by a time of prayer/sharing and supper.

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Q1. When it comes to decorations, Christmas trees and/or lights, what Christmas traditions do you have in your home?

Q2. Can you think of a tradition that was passed down from your parents?

INTO THE WORD

Read Luke 2:8-10

Q3. Sometimes in life we can be going through the motions. Life is full, life is busy, and we need a reminder of just how much God loves us. The shepherds had just that, and in a miraculous way! How does God get your attention?

Read Luke 2:11-14

Q4. When God shows up, worship follows. Many of the Christmas traditions we have today took place as an act of worship. How do you show worship through your daily actions at Christmas time?

Read Luke 2:15-17

Q5. One encounter with Jesus, and the shepherds could not contain themselves. They shared the good news with everyone. Why do you believe we as a church don't have the same passion to share the gospel with others? What can you do about that?

GOING DEEPER

Read Luke 2:18-20

Q6. People believed (v18) in what the shepherds had told them, and returned back to their flocks praising God for what they had experienced. How can we take the good news of Jesus' birth back to our everyday life? What does (v20) "glorifying and praising God" look like for you in your day to day life?

Q7. While we stop and celebrate that God loves us as individuals, from Jesus' very birth people were being pointed to God the Father. The shepherds were spreading the good news after encountering a baby. How can you bring the people you care about the most in life closer to Christ this Christmas season?

CONCLUSION & PRAYER

Pray for the Christmas presence that we have in our community through celebrations, outreach ministries, and even the Reverse Advent Calendars, may our Christmas services bring people closer to Christ. Pray that like in Luke 2:18 "all who hear" will be saved. Pray that as a church we would be brave enough to invite our friends and family into a conversation, a meal, or an event where the gospel can be lived, shown, and told. Amen.