



SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE
"A Surprise Worth Sharing"
Luke 2:8-20

SERMON NOTES

Record your insights & observations from this week's sermon.

GOOD BOOK ABOUT THE BIRTH OF JESUS

The First Days of Jesus by Andreas J. Kostenberger and Alexander E. Stewart

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1) Read *Luke 2:8-14*. What's powerful about this story is that God first shared the news of Jesus' birth to shepherds. Read *Mark 2:15-17*. What do these passages from Luke and Mark tell us about who God shares His Word to? What impact should this have on us?
- 2) Read *Luke 2:13-14; Revelation 5:11-12*. What do these passages say about a host of angels? How does knowing we have a multitude of angels around us encourage you each day?
- 3) Read *Luke 2:15-18*. How eager were the shepherds to see Jesus and share with others the news they had seen? How eager are you to share this good news of great joy?
- 4) Take some time to list a few names of people who don't know Jesus and pray for them. Ask God to give you an opportunity to share the gospel to them.
- 5) Read *Luke 2:20*. The shepherds left Jesus changed. How has Jesus changed your life? How is He working in your life now?
- 6) Read *Luke 2:19*. What does this text say about Mary's reaction to all of this?

FOR YOUR FAMILY

- 1) Memorize *Luke 2:14*: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom His favor rests."
- 2) Read *Luke 2:8-20*. Talk with your family about who the shepherds were and how God changed their lives.
- 3) Take some time to talk with your family about how important it is to share the good news of Jesus to others like the shepherds did. Spend some time in prayer for those who don't know Jesus.