

STUDY GUIDE • LUKE 2:8-20

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Our Glorification of Jesus Christ

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WELCOME Fixing Our Focus

Suggested icebreaker:

Ask each GG member what portion of their life story do they like sharing with others the most and why. What commonalities do the GG members have?

WORSHIP Adoring Our God

Suggested songs:

- Hark the Herald Angels
 Sing
- O Holy Night

WORD & WALK:

Understanding & Applying the Word

LESSON AIM

- 1. GG members will share the good news of Christ's birth to others.
- 2. GG members will who haven't yet placed their faith in Christ will do so.
- 3. GG members will praise God for the gift of Jesus Christ.

INTRODUCTION

In our previous lesson, we learned about the birth of Jesus Christ. In this lesson, we will see the first people to hear about Jesus' birth. Let's take a look at how they responded to the announcement and it affected them.

Angels appeared to shepherds (vv. 8–14)

- What were the shepherds doing when the angel appeared to them? How did they react?
- 2. Why did the angel tell them not to be afraid? What was this good news that the angel mentioned?
- 3. How did the angel describe Jesus? (cf. Matthew 1:21; 1 John 4:14; Matthew 1:16; John 20:31; Luke 1:43; Philippians 2:9-11)
- 4. What sign did the angel give to the shepherds that the announcement is true and trustworthy?
- 5. Why did the multitude of angels praise God? (cf. Ephesians 1:5-6; Romans 5:1)

Application

The birth of Jesus is good news of great joy. What are you doing to share this with others?

The shepherds confirmed and conveyed the angel's message (vv. 15–20)

- What was the response of the shepherds to the angel's message?
 How is this similar to Mary's response to Gabriel's message? (cf. Luke 1:36–40)
- What did the shepherds do when they found Jesus? What were the reactions of the people?
- 3. How did the shepherds respond after they confirmed the angel's message?

Application

Have you responded in faith to the good news of Jesus Christ? If so, how can you praise God for the gift of His Son? If not, what is hindering you from doing so?

WORD & WALK:

Understanding & Applying the Word

PRAYER ITEM

Praise God for giving us His Son and saving us from sin and death. Ask God to reveal to you people with whom you can share the good news of Jesus Christ, and how you may share this good news with them. Pray that more people in the world will recognize who Jesus really is.

