

SCC Small Group Discussion
Supporting Cast: The Shepherds – Luke 2:8-15

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Getting Started:

What experiences, images, and ideas come to mind when you think about Christmas?

Searching the Scriptures:

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven. and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.” 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.” Luke 2:8-15

1. What is symbolic about God announcing Jesus’ birth to some of the lowliest members of society?

2. What did the angel reveal about Jesus’ uniqueness? What three titles are given to Jesus? What is significant about them?

3. Of the truths about Jesus in these verses, which are truly “good news” for you in this season?

