



## Part 2: Angels and Shepherds

Christmas is a great celebration of a wonderful event that changed history, although not everyone in the Christmas story was happy about it. So, who is Christmas good news for? The angels and the shepherd help us discover the answer to that question!

### Discussion Questions

1. Christmas is described as “good news for all people.” Before diving into the text, who do you think Christmas is *especially* good news for and why?
2. Read Luke 2:8-10. The angels appear not to the powerful or influential, but to shepherds (social outsiders). What do you think the shepherds felt in that moment of fear, light, and glory? Why might God choose *them* to receive the first birth announcement of Jesus? What other observations do you have about this passage?
3. The shepherds respond with “*Let’s go and see*” and then later “*go and tell.*” What strikes you about their immediate response? Why do you think they were the ones who spread the first message about Jesus?
4. On Sunday, we highlighted three ingredients of wonder: mystery, humility, and availability. Which of these do you find most natural? Which is hardest for you? How does each one help us “see” Jesus more clearly at Christmas? What practices (slowing down, prayer, Scripture reflection) help you cultivate that sense of wonder today?

### Moving Forward

Where do you see yourself in the shepherds’ story: feeling unimportant, invited into wonder, rushing to see Jesus, or sharing good news? What is God inviting you into this Christmas? If Christmas is truly “good news for *all* people,” who might God be asking you to **go and tell** this season? Who needs hope, peace, or encouragement?