

Christmas at Doxology 2025

A study for Community Groups to use the week of December 7th

To prepare for your group discussion each week, group members should use the **Series Guide** to complete foundational questions in the book for week 5 using the scripture below.

Week Two: Luke 2:8-20

Overview

Each year at Christmas, in Christmas songs, cards, and a host of other places we hear phrases and words that are rooted in the Christmas story. Due to busyness and other reasons we often fail to allow those things to impact how we worship and celebrate. This Christmas we are going to explore a variety of different Christmas themes in hopes of allowing them to impact our celebration this Christmas season.

Passage: Luke 2:8-20 *“After the shepherds saw Jesus they spread the word as evangelists (i.e., reporters of good news). The response of those who heard their eyewitness testimony was amazement, not unbelief or belief.” – Constable’s Notes*

Questions

*In the Series Guide you will find basic questions we want all to use as they begin to look at the passage. Questions such as; *Who have you had the opportunity to BLESS this week? What does this passage reveal about God? About people? About the life He has planned for us?* These additional questions relate to the passage specifically for your benefit.

- What does it say about the Lord that He chose to deliver this message to shepherds first? In what ways do you identify with the shepherds and their experience?
- When you think of glory what first comes to mind? When you consider what the shepherds saw and heard, how does that declare God’s glory? Can we experience God’s glory in our lives? How might that look for us today?
- The shepherds immediately went to Bethlehem to see the baby that had been born. Based on the message, what motivated their actions to see and then share with others? What are those things you have seen and heard God do and who in your life needs to hear about it?
- What would it look like for you to follow the shepherds example and share and glorify God this Christmas season? How could you take a step to do so this week?