

# GRACE POINT

## 4 Thoughts That Can Still Change the World Part 1: Worship Fully

Romans 12:1-2; Luke 2:10-11, 14

1. What was most memorable, challenging, or encouraging from the message this week?
2. How would you describe the best Christmas you ever had as a child? What made it special to you?
3. Do you still look forward to the Christmas season? If so, what do you enjoy about it? If not, why not?
4. What one word would best describe what you want more of this Christmas? What are some of the obstacles that get in the way of that happening?
5. Read Luke 2:8-20 together. The shepherds are the first ones to whom the angels announced the birth of Christ. What does that tell us about the heart of God toward social outcasts? How does that relate to the message of Christmas?
6. What are some specific ways in which our contemporary celebration of Christmas moves us away from the worship the shepherds experienced?
7. Who needs to hear the good news around you? Think of some specific people and ways that your family/group can bring that announcement to.
8. What if the choices we make about our spending and gift giving were a part of our worship? What might that look like this Christmas?

### MOVING FORWARD

The Advent season is our chance to celebrate the wondrous moment when God entered our world to make things right. It is a season of worship. This is the foundation for our conspiracy. Ask God for a fresh encounter with His Spirit this year, a desire to worship more fully, and for opportunities to enter the ongoing story of Jesus and His work in this world.

### CHANGING YOUR MIND

*Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.*

Romans 12:1-2