



Promise of Hope

Week 3: Shepherd's Song | Teacher: Libin Abraham

Sermon Questions for 12.21.2025

Opener

Have you had a “once-in-a-lifetime” encounter with someone? If so, share a little about that.

Read

Luke 2:8-20; 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Luke 10:21; Hebrews 13:12-15

Main Points

1. When the angel showed up to a group of shepherds, it was: (a) Prophetic - the Good Shepherd has arrived, (b) Purposeful - sacrificial lambs were birthed and raised in Bethlehem, (c) Personal - the news of Jesus was for those who felt they deserved him the least.
2. The angel, in Luke 2:11, gave the shepherds three titles for Jesus - Savior (the One who rescues us), Messiah (the long-awaited King), and Lord (Ruler of all).
3. When glory ascends to God, peace descends to people.
4. Jesus went from being an infant to being clothed with infinite glory forever.
5. Jesus is not a once-in-a-lifetime encounter, he is the encounter that lasts a lifetime!

Engage with God in a Group

- Which aspects of the Christmas story have been the most significant for you?
- What does it mean to you that God sent the angel to the shepherds to proclaim Jesus' birth?
- If an angel were to come to you to declare Jesus' birth, what aspects of who Jesus is would speak to you and where you're at in life during this season?
- How is this Christmas season unique for you?
- When can you, over the next few days, set aside some time to remember, reflect, read, and ponder the lifetime encounter we have with Jesus?
- Who might God have put in your life to share about the hope you have in Jesus during this Christmas week?

Bottom Line

The One who saves you, the One you've been waiting for, and the One who rules over everything has come - for you.