

Discussion Questions (I've also attached if you want to print them off.) I want to give you time to ponder.

1. How did you spy God recently – at Thanksgiving or during another time? It could be:
An answer to prayer
His Word becoming radioactive
Unusual timing or circumstances
Help to do His work in the world

2. This is what Keller read from the genealogy – read it aloud and share anything that stands out to you.

This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah: Judah the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar; Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth; David the father of Solomon, whose mother had been Uriah's wife; Joseph the husband of Mary, and Mary the mother of Jesus who is called the Messiah. Thus, there were 14 generations in all from Abraham to David, 14 from David to the exile to Babylon, and 14 from the exile to the Messiah.

3. What stood out to you from Keller's devotional and why?
4. Read Luke 2:10-14. What is the difference between advice and news, and why does it matter? What is one thing in the news that angels brought that makes a difference in your life today?
5. Keller says many say what matters is not doctrine but if you are a good person. Where have you heard this and what is the problem with this lie?
6. What do the four women mentioned have in common that is negative. Why is that significant?
7. What part did Tamar, Ruth, and Mary play in "rescuing" the line of Christ?
8. Why is the genealogy in Matthew different than the one in Luke?
9. What is the significance of Matthew 1:17?
10. What does Kathy Keller suggest if you think you've found an error in Scripture?
11. What comments and questions do you have after reading Genesis 38?