

## Messy Christmas - Christmas - Pastor Mark Pope December 24&25, 2023

- 1. What type of a worker describes you? Do you take jobs that most people would avoid? Explain.
- 2. Read Luke 2:1-12 Detail the various aspects of the Christmas story that were awkward or messy.
- 3. How do you describe the thought that God was "setting the stage"; in preparation for difficult things/experiences that Jesus was to encounter.
- 4. Read Luke 19:10 & Matthew 9:11 God continues to seek the full spectrum of humanity like inviting both the shepherds and the wise men to His son's birth. Why do you think God was so intentional with His announcement?
- 5. What invitation is God extending to you this Christmas season? What is your response?
- 6. To know that ALL are welcome to the manger / cross and no one is disqualified; what step might you take this week to share Jesus with someone?