

CHRISTMAS

Family Devotion

Luke 2:7-17

“And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. 8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. 9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. 10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. 12 And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, 14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. 15 And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. 16 And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. 17 And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.”

- (v. 7) The people made no room for Jesus in the inn. This reminds us of how the majority of the world does not allow Jesus to be a part of their lives. We know our life is too crowded when we do not make room for the Saviour. This Christmas may be a good time to “clean house” and make more room for Jesus. There is nothing wrong with giving and receiving gifts, but be careful not to let gifts take the place of Jesus.
- (v. 13) Praising God is something we should do every day. Here are some ways we can praise God this Christmas:
 - 1) Tell God thank you for all the things He provides.
 - 2) When worshipping God, sing from the heart and really think about the words you are singing to God.
 - 3) Tell God how great He is and what He means to you.
- (v. 17) The shepherds told the others about Jesus. This is something we should do as well. There is a lot to talk about during Christmas, but we should always remember to talk about Jesus.



QUESTIONS TO DISCUSS

- What do you think about Jesus being born in a manger?
- Do you think God has made enough room for everyone in Heaven? See John 3:16.
- How can you use Christmas to praise God?
- Why is it important to tell others about Jesus? Is it important to you?



PRAYER TIME

- Thank God for Jesus.
- Ask God to help you make Jesus the main focus of your Christmas.



CHALLENGE

- Every time you open a gift this Christmas, remember the greatest of all gifts... JESUS!