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Luke 2:8-20

*What was your favorite song as a child, and why did it bring you joy?*

1. What does joy mean to you, and how is it different from happiness?
2. How can we find joy in difficult circumstances?
3. Why do you think God chose the shepherds to be the first to hear the good news of Jesus' birth?
4. What fears are currently present in your life, and how can you apply 'do not fear' to them?
5. In what ways can we live in wonder and gratitude in our daily lives?
6. How can we be like the shepherds and share the good news of Jesus with others?
7. What are some ordinary moments where you've seen God at work?
8. How can we ensure that our joy is not stolen by life's circumstances?

### **Take Home Challenge**

This week, identify one person who needs to hear the hope and joy of Jesus. Share your story with them and invite them into a conversation about how Jesus has transformed your life.

## **Key Takeaways**

- Joy is a deep, abiding contentment that comes from God's promises, not circumstances.
- God's love and grace are available to everyone, regardless of status.
- Fear not, for the good news of Jesus brings joy to all people.
- We are called to live in joy, wonder, and gratitude every day.
- Like the shepherds, we are invited to share the good news of Jesus with others.