

But First, Joy

Text: Luke 2:8-11

Purpose: We have a God of joy who wants us to know true joy and experience joy fully.

Opening Question: *Favorite Christmas tradition?*

Read and Discuss: Luke 2:8-11

1. *What is Joy? How or when do you experience joy?*
2. *What do you think this experience was like for the shepherds? What is the glory of the Lord like to you?*
3. *In the Bible, what are some ways you see God's joy through the Christmas story?*
4. *How does Jesus' coming cause "great joy for all people"?*
5. *How do you cultivate joy in your life?*
6. *What could cause you to miss the joy of Jesus this season?*