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Star
A JOURNEY TO CHRISTMAS

December 10, 2017

Main Text-Luke 2:8-20

Optional Ice Breaker

What is your favorite Christmas movie and why?

The BIG IDEA:

How can we be joyful in our life?

Getting in the Word

Read Luke 2:8-20 as a group and discuss why you think God would reveal this good news of great joy to the shepherds first?

As a group, what four things can you take from this text that makes the message from the angels so joyful and how can you apply these truths to your life?

What is the difference between happiness and joy and why is it important that we know the difference?

Read Psalm 96:11-13, how does this help us understand “Joy to the World”? When will this type of joy take place and how can we make sure that moment will be joyful for us?

Read Isaiah 9:3 and Isaiah 52:7 and discuss how we can both receive joy and give joy to others. What is holding us back from receiving and sharing this joy with others?

What are some of the things and places we look for as sources of joy in our life that ultimately don't last?

Read Acts 16:16-34 and discuss how the jailers joy became contagious. How can our joy in Jesus become contagious to others?

The BIG Question

Do you settle for happiness when you could have joy in your life? Why do we do this?