

ADVENT SERIES – Silent Night

Luke 2:8-20, Ephesians 3:17-19

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The following questions are intended to use in discussion and application of the past week's sermon.

Listening

What part of the sermon was most helpful to you or challenged you to think and/or live differently? How will you apply this message to your life?

Engaging

Can you recall the ways in which people misunderstood or assumed what the Messiah's purpose was? After spending some time on that question, how might you (not just 'those people around you' – but you) need to be humble and open-minded to the ways you might be predicting or presuming the Lord's purposes today?

Especially for those that plead Ephesians 3:17-19 over loved ones, have someone continue reading verses 20-21. What comfort does this bring you in your pleading?

Applying

The shepherds went back to their fields - their jobs and their relationships – with great praise and great fervor to shout their personal experience with everyone. For you and I: The Savior, the Christ, the Lord has come 'unto you'! He is YOUR Messiah, YOUR Savior! Have you discovered your peace and intimacy with him to be so wonderful that you just have to share this joy with those around you in your life?

Praying

In light of this message and discussion:

How can we pray for each other?
Where do you feel challenged or convicted?
What can we praise God for?
How can we pray for our church?