

'Whaaat? Awestruck by Glory

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'Impossible to Possible' – Matthew 1:21-23

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

Compare and contrast the direct experience of 'the glory of the Lord' in Luke 2:9 with other instances in Exodus 16:20, 24:17, 40:34, Ezekiel 1:28, and Revelation 21:23.

Before the birth of Jesus, the Jewish people had been promised a Savior over the course of many years. Refer to the following passages that we can see prophesied about the Messiah and discuss what this anticipation must have been like: Isaiah 7:14, 9:6, 53:5, Micah 5:2, Zechariah 9:9, and Psalm 22:16-18.

Applying

Can you recall any time where you have encountered the power and/or the posture of God in a distinct way? What resulted from that encounter?

As a group, lay your prayers and hopes of what seems impossible before the Lord. Read 1 John 5:14 and have confidence that God Almighty hears your prayers!

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?