

Community Group Discussion Guide

Sunday, November 13, 2022

Scripture: Luke 2:1-14



THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

The Sovereign God orchestrates his plan of salvation and displays his glory through the humble birth of His Son, Jesus Christ.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION *(Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)*

- Why does Luke include key historical descriptions in his Gospel account? How and why does he contrast Caesar Augustus and Jesus Christ?
- Why did Joseph and Mary travel to Bethlehem (verses 1-2; Micah 5:2)? What's important about Joseph's lineage?
- Discuss how God's sovereignty is beautifully revealed in this text. How is this truth helpful when we experience either blessing or hardship?
- What's significant about swaddling cloths that wrapped the infant Savior (verse 7)? What does the nature of Jesus's birth reveal about him and the nature of his kingdom?
- Why did God choose to announce the good news of the birth of Christ to lowly shepherds rather than the influential members of society (1 Corinthians 1:27-29)?
- How did the shepherds react to the angels' appearance?
- What is the gospel, and does it bring you joy (1 Peter 1:3-9)? What two titles do the angels apply to Jesus (verse 11)?
- What sign did God give the shepherds and why (verse 12)? What does this invitation to the shepherds reveal about God?
- Why do we need peace with God, and who experiences God's peace (verse 14; Colossians 1:19-22)?