DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of December 24, 2023

One of the best things you can do after hearing truths from the Word of God is to talk about them with others. Here are some questions to help get the conversation started. (hint: the first couple of questions are meant to "break the ice" and get people talking)

- What is the thing that you love most about Christmas?
- Talk about a time that you "experience failure."
- Read Luke 2:8 and talk about what it must have been like in their culture to be a shepherd, then talk about how that would have shaped their reaction to the angel in Luke 2:9.
- What are some ways that we are tempted to "stay out in the fields" (avoiding God/others) because of guilt and/or shame?
- How does having an understanding of the guilt of the shepherds change the way we view the angel's message in Luke 2:10-12?
- Read Luke 19:10 and talk about how God pursues us before we pursue Him and that His pursuit is not for purposes of destruction, but redemption.
- Read Luke 2:12. God gave the shepherds some signs that He was pursuing them. What are some ways that God has shown that He is pursuing you?
- How is Luke 19:36-40 similar to Luke 2:13-14?
- Read Luke 2:15-20 and talk about the changes made in the lives of the shepherds after experiencing God's grace. Have you experienced anything similar to these?
- Take some time together to pray together.
