

# Life Application Questions

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*Consider the following sermon-based questions for your individual study or with a group of folks like one of the several Life Groups available at Chilson Hills.*

## **Foundational Scripture:**

*Luke 2:8-20*

## **Featured Scripture Reflection**

*“But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.’” (Luke 2:10 NIV)*

## **Opening Icebreaker**

*What Christmas traditions do you still keep that are from your childhood?*

## **Scripture Questions**

*What is the scripture saying?*

- How does the shepherd’s experience with angels compare to that of Zechariah (1:8) and Mary (1:26ff)?
- What are some reasons you can think of that God sent the angels to shepherds and not anyone else?
- How does the coming of the angels to the shepherds relate to Mary’s song (1:46ff)?
- What are the shepherds doing when the angels appear? What does this tell us about God’s messages to us?

*How is your life touched?*

- What does the angels’ directive to “not fear” have to do with you this week?
- When have God’s angels connected with you?
- What are some ways you can connect with and worship the Christ child during this week?
- As the shepherds shared with their friends and family the miracle of Emmanuel, how can you follow their leadership during this next week?

*What is God’s invitation to you?*

- In their ordinary, regular, not spectacular jobs, the shepherds met the angels and heard God’s good news. Watch for God this week in your ordinary life. You can meet God’s angels at any time!

*What can you pray for?*

- Pray that Chilson Hills will be a community of Christ followers celebrate God’s presence by casting out fear and embracing God’s joy!