

# CHOSEN TO DISCOVER

Luke 2:8-20

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## INTRO:

### A. THE SHEPHERDS WERE RECONCILED

1. Shepherds were socially, morally, religiously and legally ostracized (v. 8-9)
2. Shepherds were reconciled to God and to one another (v. 10-11)

### B. THE SHEPHERDS WERE RESCUED

1. Jesus is the Savior (v. 11)
2. Jesus is the Messiah (v. 11)
3. Jesus is Lord (v. 12)
4. Jesus is Peace (v. 14)

### C. THE SHEPHERDS WERE RESTORED

1. They were restored of their worth (v. 14-15)
2. They were restored of their work (v. 16-17)
3. They were restored of their witness (v. 20)

## CONCLUSION

## TABLETALK

1. Share a Christmas family tradition you are looking forward to this year.
2. Read Luke 2:8-20. How does the proximity of the shepherds 'living and watching their flocks nearby' tell us the kind of people they were during the times of Jesus?
3. Read Luke 2:9. Angels in the Jewish antiquity always signal that something good was about to happen to them (Jacob, Gideon, Joshua, etc.). What contributes to this fear they have when they see the angel of the Lord?
4. Read Luke 2:10-11. In these two verses, what is the good news? How is Jesus introduced to the world? What do these titles mean to our world today?
5. Read Luke 2:12-20 In what way God restored the worth, work and witness of the shepherds?
6. Close the Life Group meeting by sharing how the story of the shepherds have become our stories as well.