

Sermon Discussion Guide 12/16-12/22 VGroup Meetings

Sermon Title: He Came To Bring Peace - Luke 2:8-14

Distribute name tags as people enter. Take attendance / collect new guest information including address, phone & email, etc. Allow folks to mingle, fellowship, and settle in with each other.

Open the session with prayer.

Discussion Starter/Ice Breaker: (15-20 mins)

Fun Discussion: During the holidays we celebrate with family and friends over famously large meals. What's your favorite holiday food item - the one thing that almost only shows up this time of year?

Discussion Questions: (30-45 mins)

1. Read Luke 2:8-14 together. What were the 3 main focus points of the sermon?
2. Read the following verses and discuss which focus point(s) they support. Identify characteristics of God/Jesus that stand out to you.
 - a. Isaiah 9:6-7; 54:10
 - b. Psalm 4:6-8
 - c. John 14:27; 16:33; 17:13
 - d. Romans 5:1-2; 14:17-19; 15:13
 - e. Philippians 4:6-7
 - f. Colossians 3:12-17
3. Think about a time in your life when things have been or felt completely out of control or chaotic.
 - a. Share with the group that experience. Is it something you are experiencing now?
 - b. How did you respond to this time in your life?
 - c. What did you learn about God through that experience?
4. Reflecting on the 3 points of the sermon.
 - a. Which point have you struggled with the most to accept/embrace & why?
 - b. Which point have you found to be the easiest to accept?
5. Think and pray about ways that you can share God's gift of Jesus with those around you this week. Take a few minutes to brainstorm how to impact our community with what we have studied in scripture this. What are your ideas?

Closing: Open the floor for discussion / questions.

Prayer Requests:

Close in prayer.

