The Power Of Why | True Story - Episode 4 | Pastor Guy

Discussion Guide 12-15-16

Summary

Pastor Guy emphasized the joy and peace that Jesus brings into our lives and specifically through the angel's announcement to the shepherds. Despite their low status, the shepherds were chosen to receive the good news, showing that God's son Jesus (and the angel's message) is for everyone. Pastor Guy also touches on the importance of asking questions in our faith journey... to not be afraid to ask *Why*?

We should also be challenged to spread the word of Jesus, especially during the Christmas season. Let's move beyond a 'meh' attitude towards a deeper awe and reverence for God.

Ice Breaker

What is your favorite Christmas carol and why?

Key Verses

- 1. Luke 2:8-20
- 2. John 3:16
- 3. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

Questions

- 1. Why do you think the angels appeared to the shepherds first?
- 2. What does the joy of the Lord mean to you personally?
- 3. How can we experience God's peace in our daily lives?
- 4. What are some ways we can spread the message of Jesus this Christmas?
- 5. How do you handle questions or doubts in your faith journey?
- 6. What steps can we take to move from a 'meh' attitude to one of awe and reverence?
- 7. How does the story of the shepherds challenge our view of who is worthy to receive God's message?
- 8. Who would be the "shepherds" today in Waukesha (or your hometown)? How'd you react if they were trying to tell you some incredible news?
- 9. In what ways can we be more generous and giving, be it through the My Gift for Jesus or another way?

Life Application

This week, challenge yourself to invite someone to a Christmas service or share the story of Jesus with a friend.

Key Takeaways

- 1. God's message of joy and peace is for everyone, regardless of societal status.
- 2. Christmas is a significant event that should be celebrated with awe and reverence.
- 3. Asking questions is a vital part of growing in our faith.
- 4. We are called to spread the good news of Jesus, especially during the Christmas season.
- 5. Generosity and giving are ways to reflect God's love to others.