

# SERMON APPLICATION SHEET FOR:

Pastor Tony Felich

Advent's First Witnesses

Luke 2:8-20

December 11, 2016

Sermon Text	Sermon Notes
<p><b>Luke 2:8</b> And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. [9] And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. [10] And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. [11] For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. [12] And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." [13] And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, [14] "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!" [15] When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." [16] And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. [17] And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. [18] And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. [19] But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. [20] And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.</p>	<p>In some sense, the shepherds at Christ's birth can be seen as representative of us all.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>I. In need of redemption (8-10)</li><li>II. A display of salvation for all who believe in Christ (10-12)</li><li>III. From witnesses to mouthpieces (13-20)</li></ol>

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## Sermon Application Questions

1. Why do you think God chose to reveal Christ's birth to Shepherds first?

2. How are the shepherds in some sense representative of us all?

3. Discuss the relationship between verse 10 and verse 14 regarding who benefits from Christ's coming?

4. What is the significance of Christ's three titles in verse 11.

5. Discuss the response of the Shepherds in verse 20. Are some of these missing for you? How might we recover these responses?

## Prayer Requests

This week our family will lift up requests for:

This week our family will praise the Lord for:

HFG Notes & Actions:

Next HFG meeting is: