



SERMON NOTES

December 25, 2016

Scripture: Luke 2:15-20: (NAS)

Topic: "Celebrating Christmas"

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- 15 When the angels had gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds began saying to one another, "Let us go straight to Bethlehem then, and see this thing that has happened which the Lord has made known to us."
- 16 So they came in a hurry and found their way to Mary and Joseph, and the baby as He lay in the manger.
- 17 When they had seen this, they made known the statement which had been told them about this Child.
- 18 And all who heard it wondered at the things which were told them by the shepherds.
- 19 But Mary treasured all these things, pondering them in her heart.
- 20 The shepherds went back, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen. just as had been told them.

I. THINGS WHICH SURROUND OUR CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS

II. THINGS THAT MUST BE CENTRAL TO CHRISTMAS

- A. We Need To Come To Christ *vs. 15*
- B. We Need To Be Witnesses For Christ *vs. 17*
- C. Our Lives Ought Reflect Our Amazement Concerning The Incarnation *vs. 18*
- D. We Ought To Meditate On God's Love *vs. 19*
- E. All This Ought Foster In Us A Response Of Worship *vs. 20*