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### **Ordinary People; Extraordinary God**

**Luke 2:8-15** - *That night there were shepherds staying in the fields nearby, guarding their flocks of sheep. <sup>9</sup> Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared among them, and the radiance of the Lord's glory surrounded them. They were terrified, <sup>10</sup> but the angel reassured them. "Don't be afraid!" he said. "I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people. <sup>11</sup> The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David! <sup>12</sup> And you will recognize him by this sign: You will find a baby wrapped snugly in strips of cloth, lying in a manger." <sup>13</sup> Suddenly, the angel was joined by a vast host of others—the armies of heaven—praising God and saying, <sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in highest heaven, and peace on earth to those with whom God is pleased." <sup>15</sup> When the angels had returned to heaven, the shepherds said to each other, "Let's go to Bethlehem! Let's see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."*

**A Host Of Angels Announcing The "Good News" Of Jesus' Birth Along With Adoring Praise**

**The Honor Of Hearing About Jesus' Birth Was First Given To Ordinary Working Class People**

**Luke 1:52** - *He has brought down princes from their thrones and exalted the humble.*

**Good News Came To Ordinary People, Not Rulers; The Ordinary Is Lifted Up**

- 1) The Good Shepherd.**
- 2) The Lamb Of God.**

**God's Glory, Normally In The Temple, Is Now Manifest In A Stable**

- 1) Holiness And Purity Will Be Seen Differently.**
- 2) Position And Morality Will Be Reevaluated.**

**2 Corinthians 8:9** - *You know the generous grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty he could make you rich.*

**1 Timothy 3:16** - *Without question, this is the great mystery of our faith: Christ was revealed in a human body and vindicated by the Spirit. He was seen by angels and announced to the nations. He was believed in throughout the world and taken to heaven in glory.*

## **A Savior To Meet Man's Greatest Need**

**Ephesians 1:14** - *The Spirit is God's guarantee that he will give us the inheritance he promised and that he has purchased us to be his own people. He did this so we would praise and glorify him.*

**The Coming Of Jesus Is Reason For Praise In The Highest Heaven And Not Only On Earth**

**Only The Humble Can Accept The Message Of Salvation**