



PART 4: CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION

INTRODUCTION

Christmas is a time to remember. We love to remember our stories from times past. The purpose and power of Christmas is remembering that we are part of a bigger story. We are prone to forget, yet our faith is strengthened when we remember.

KEY SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:8-14
Luke 5:31

Romans 6:23
Ephesians 2:8-9

1 Corinthians 11:23-28

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the best gift you've ever received?
2. Describe a time when you needed a second chance. What were the circumstances? Did you get a second chance? How did it turn out?
3. Read Luke 2:8-14. If you were God, would you have chosen the shepherds (whose reputation was that they were untrustworthy) to be the first to hear about the birth of Jesus? Why?
4. Read Luke 5:31-32. When have you needed Jesus the most?
5. Read Ephesians 2:8-9. What things have you ever felt like you have to do to earn salvation? Is it easy or difficult for you to accept the truth that there is nothing anybody can do to earn salvation?
6. God's grace is a free gift available to everyone. How can you access his grace everyday? How can you show grace to others everyday?

MOVING FORWARD

Application Prayer: Father, like the shepherds, I've been on the outside of faith, away from you and your church, but I'm taking a step toward you tonight. I say "yes" to your gift of grace!