

The First Advent...



***“Shepherds: the Men
Honored with the Message”***

Luke 2:8-18
PART 4

For the First Time

INTRODUCTION

- Christmas a time of gift-giving
- God’s gift of *life*

1. The message prepared

- ‘normal’ circumstances
- the intrusion of the supernatural
- the shepherd’s fear

2. The message delivered

- “good news of great joy”
- a Savior...Christ...the Lord

- God’s marketing plan

- underneath the brown-paper wrapping...

Dan. 7:10

3. The message applied

2 Cor. 13:5