

**The Christmas Story**

**Luke 2:1-20**

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1. The census, Bethlehem, and the birth of Christ to Mary are clear examples of how God orders \_\_\_\_\_ things for the fulfillment of His purposes according to His timing.
  
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ is good news of great joy that is for all people.
  - a. It is good news that \_\_\_\_\_ took on human flesh to be the Savior who is Christ the Lord.
  
  - b. The gospel is a God-glorifying \_\_\_\_\_ for the angels to announce and for sinners to embrace.
  
  - c. The gospel is for \_\_\_\_\_ from all walks of life—men of His good pleasure.

3. The shepherds and Mary are examples of responses of \_\_\_\_\_ and obedience to God.
  - a. The shepherds responded \_\_\_\_\_ to the angel's announcement of the newborn Savior.
  
  - b. With a faithful submission, Mary \_\_\_\_\_ carefully all that the Lord revealed and brought to pass regarding Christ.