

Luke 2:15-24

"When God Speaks What do We do?"



Survey Outline:

I. The Son of Man introduced

* Luke 1:1 – 4:13

II. The Son of Man in Galilee

* Luke 4: 14 – 9: 50

III. The Son of Man travels toward Jerusalem

* Luke 9: 51 – 19: 28

IV. The Son of Man is rejected, crucified, and resurrected

* Luke 19: 29 — 24: 53

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- II. Responding to the Word of God vv. 18-20
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Luke 2:8-12 (NKJV)

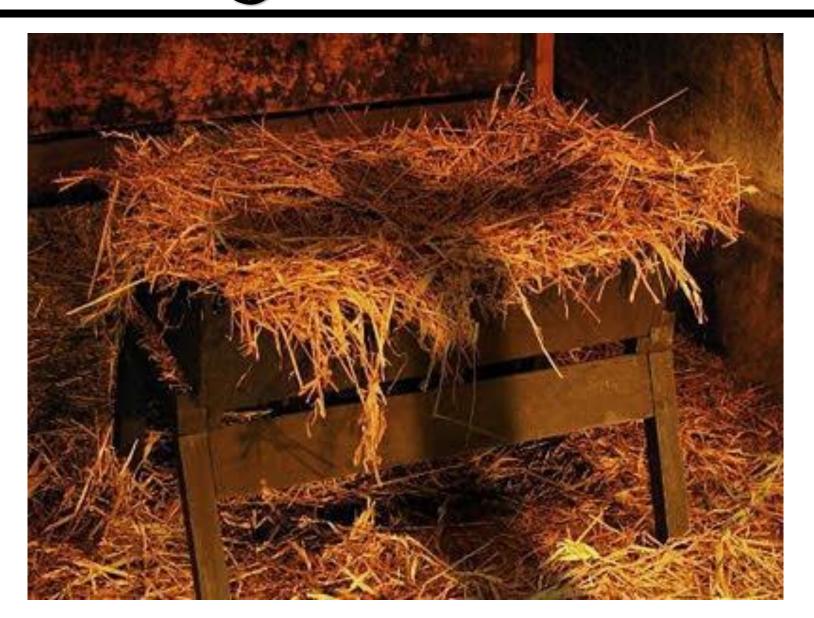
- 8Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night.
- 9And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid.
- 10Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people.
- 11For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.
- 12And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger."

Beholding the Word of God:

- The Angelic Revelation
 - a savior is born, it is the Messiah

- The shepherd evangelization
 - The revelation is restated to all in the area

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18And all those who heard it marveled at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

19But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.

20Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told them.



Responding to the Word of God:

• All those who heard it:

- "marveled"
- "at those things which were told them"

• Mary:

- "But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in here heart"

• The shepherds:

- The shepherds <u>returned</u>, <u>glorified</u>, and <u>praised</u>

Responding to the Word of God:

• Summary:

- The people marveled
- Mary worshipped
- The shepherds worshipped

How would you respond in this situation? How do we respond to the rest of God's Word?

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- 21And when eight days were completed for the circumcision of the Child, His name was called JESUS, the name given by the angel before He was conceived in the womb.
- 22Now when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought Him to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord
- 23(as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the LORD"),
- 24and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, "A pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

- The Shepherds lived accordingly
- Mary and Joseph lived accordingly

- The Shepherds:
 - They went to see
 - Upon seeing they shared

• Mary and Joseph lived accordingly:

- Baby is circumcised 8th day v. 21
- Baby is named Jesus 8th day v. 21 (cf. Lk. 1: 31)

Luke 1:31 (NKJV)

31And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS.



• Mary and Joseph lived accordingly:

- Baby is circumcised 8th day v. 21
- Baby is named Jesus 8th day v. 21 (cf. Lk. 1: 31)
- Mary observes purification laws v. 22
- They present a 1st born male to the Lord v. 23

Exodus 13:2 (NKJV)

2"Consecrate to Me all the firstborn, whatever opens the womb among the children of Israel, both of man and beast; it is Mine."



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- They offer proper sacrifice v. 24

Leviticus 12:2-8 (NKJV)

2"Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'If a woman has conceived, and borne a male child, then she shall be unclean seven days; as in the days of her customary impurity she shall be unclean.

3And on the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.

4She shall then continue in the blood of her purification thirtythree days. She shall not touch any hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary until the days of her purification are fulfilled.



Leviticus 12:2-8 (NKJV)

- 6'When the days of her purification are fulfilled, whether for a son or a daughter, she shall bring to the priest a lamb of the first year as a burnt offering, and a young pigeon or a turtledove as a sin offering, to the door of the tabernacle of meeting.
- 7Then he shall offer it before the LORD, and make atonement for her. And she shall be clean from the flow of her blood. This is the law for her who has borne a male or a female.
- 8'And if she is not able to bring a lamb, then she may bring two turtledoves or two young pigeons—one as a burnt offering and the other as a sin offering. So the priest shall make atonement for her, and she will be clean.'

Application:



- Do we "behold" the Word of God?
- How do we respond to GOD?
- Is our life changed as a result of God's Word?

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