

# ***“Sensing & Savoring Christmas”***

**Luke 2:6-20**

Christmas Eve 2016

**INTRO:** Welcome to our special Christmas Eve...

**T/S:**

*<sup>6</sup> While they were in Bethlehem, the time came for the baby (Jesus) to be born,*

*<sup>7</sup> and Mary gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him/Jesus in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.*

*<sup>8</sup> And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night.*

*<sup>9</sup> An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.*

*<sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them,*

**VIDEO:** ***“When You See/Hear This”***

**Praise God that you’ve HEARD the Gospel!**

*"Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.*

*<sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.*

*<sup>12</sup> This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."*

*<sup>13</sup> Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,*

*<sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests."*

*<sup>15</sup> When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."*

**VIDEO:**      ***"Two Blind Sisters"***

**Praise God that you've SEEN the POWER of GOD!**

*<sup>16</sup> So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.*

**Come and see!**

<sup>17</sup> *When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child,*

**Go and tell!**

<sup>18</sup> *and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.*

**Be amazed!**

<sup>19</sup> *But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.*

**Treasure Truth!**

<sup>20</sup> *The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God*

**Praise the Lord!**

**VIDEO:**     ***“Jesus Is The Light”***

**John 1:4 (NASB)**

<sup>4</sup> In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men.

**John 1:9 (NASB)**

<sup>9</sup> There was the true Light which, coming into the world, enlightens every man.

**John 8:12 (NASB)**

<sup>12</sup> Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying, "I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life."

**John 12:46 (NASB)**

<sup>46</sup> "I have come *as* Light into the world, so that everyone who believes in Me will not remain in darkness.

<sup>20</sup> *The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.*

**Praise God that you've HEARD the Gospel!  
Praise God that you've SEEN the POWER of GOD!**

**Come and see!**

**Go and tell!**

**Be amazed!**

**Treasure Truth!**

**Praise the Lord!**

### **Matthew 5:14-16 (NASB)**

*<sup>14</sup> "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; <sup>15</sup> nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. <sup>16</sup> "Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.*

### **Acts 20:35**

*"...and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"*

## **Let's Pray**

**VIDEO:**      ***"The Light of the World"***