

ENCOURAGED BY CHRISTMAS

Fear Not: You Matter to God

(Lk. 2:8-20)

Feeling Insignificant in the Presence of God's Glory

The Israelites at Mt. Sinai *(Ex. 24:1-2, 15-18)*

Moses at the Tabernacle *(Ex. 40:34-35)*

Insignificant Shepherds in the Presence of God's Glory

The ancient status of shepherds *(Lk. 2:8)*

God's glory was more than they could handle *(Lk. 2:8-9)*

A Divine Message of Encouragement for the Lowly

"Fear not" *(Lk. 2:10)*

"Good news" for you, shepherds *(Lk. 2:10-12)*

- "said to them" *(Lk. 2:10)*
- "I bring you" *(Lk. 2:10)*
- "unto you is born...a Savior" *(Lk. 2:11)*
- "a sign for you" *(Lk. 2:12)*
- "you will find" *(Lk. 2:12)*

Good news "for all" *(Lk. 2:10, 13-14)*

The Shepherds Got the Message and Shared it *(Lk. 2:15-18)*

Response: Praise and Glorify God *(Lk. 2:20)*