

12-24-25 Discussion Questions

The sermon mentions that God's people waited from Genesis through 23,145 verses before Jesus came. How does understanding this long period of waiting deepen your appreciation for God's timing and faithfulness in your own life?

Mary's response to the angel was simply 'I am the Lord's servant.' When have you been asked to step into something bigger than yourself, and what made it difficult or easy to say yes to God?

The greatest gift came wrapped in the most unexpected way—swaddling cloths and a manger rather than silk and a throne. What does this teach us about how God often works in our lives through ordinary or humble circumstances?

The sermon describes grace as a surprise gift you didn't earn, deserve, or expect. Can you recall a moment when you experienced God's grace in an unexpected way that shifted something inside you?

The gift of presence was illustrated through someone physically showing up during a moment of need. How can we be more intentional about offering our presence to others, making God's love tangible in their difficult moments?

Tim asked whether we leave the gift of Jesus 'unopened' like presents under a tree we never touch. In what ways might we admire Jesus from a distance without truly receiving and integrating His forgiveness, peace, and presence into our daily lives?

The poem states 'Christmas is beyond the gift, Christmas is a fundamental shift.' What fundamental shift has Christ's birth brought to your understanding of God, yourself, or your purpose?

John challenged us to not just interact with Jesus on Sunday mornings but to integrate Him into our day-to-day lives. What practical steps can you take

this week to move from Sunday faith to daily relationship?

The shepherds immediately went to see Jesus and then returned 'glorifying and praising God.' How does encountering Christ compel us to share what we have experienced with others, and who might God be calling you to 'go tell' this season?

Isaiah prophesied that Jesus would be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace. Which of these names resonates most with what you need from Jesus right now, and why?