



JOURNEY GROUPS

DEC 21 DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

STUDY

Digging Deeper into "Christmas - Why We Need a Savior"

1. What's one Christmas tradition, movie, song, or treat that you look forward to every year—and why?
2. For you personally, does Christmas tend to feel more joyful, stressful, or bittersweet? Why?
3. Read Matthew 1:18–25 together. What stands out to you about Joseph's response to Mary's pregnancy?
4. Why do you think God intentionally chose Joseph—a man described as righteous and humble—to be Jesus' earthly father?
5. The angel tells Joseph to name the child Jesus. Why is the name so important in this passage?
6. How does knowing that "Jesus" means "The Lord saves" deepen your understanding of the Christmas story?
7. The sermon walked through several "heroes of the faith" (Noah, Abraham, Jacob, Moses, David). What did they all have in common despite their great moments?
8. Why do you think God included the sins and failures of these heroes so honestly in Scripture?
9. How does seeing the brokenness of biblical heroes help you understand your own need for Jesus?
10. Read Romans 3:23 and Romans 7:24–25. How do these verses explain why Jesus had to come?
11. The "Door of Humility" in Bethlehem requires people to bend down to enter. How is that a powerful picture of what it means to receive salvation?

12. What does pride look like in subtle ways when it comes to admitting our need for Jesus?
13. The sermon said, “If we can’t admit our need for Jesus’ salvation, then we can’t be saved.” Why is humility so central to the gospel?
14. According to John 3:16–17, what was God’s primary motivation for sending Jesus? How does this challenge common misconceptions about God?
15. In what ways do you most relate to Paul’s struggle in Romans 7—wanting to do good, but still falling short?
16. How does understanding Jesus as your Savior (not just a historical figure) shape how you approach Christmas this year?
17. As we celebrate Christmas, how can your life point others to the true gift of Jesus—at home, work, or in your relationships?

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