



FAITH

A Life-Changing Sermon to an Unlikely Congregation

Icebreaker: Would you rather go to a fancy Christmas party or an Ugly Sweater Christmas Party?

Read Together: Luke 2:8-18 (NIV)

Discuss:

- What was the Holy Spirit saying to you this week as you listened to the Sermon?
- What do you think are some of the ways that the Shepherds were unlikely choices?

Read Together: Luke 2:10 (NIV), Luke 2:11 (NIV), John 3:16 (NIV)

Discuss: God's message to the shepherds translates to you:

- You don't have to be afraid anymore. What are your biggest fears? How can you bring them to Jesus?
- God's love is GIVEN. How can you position yourself to receive it?
- What are some ways that you try to earn God's love?

Read Together: Matthew 1:23 (NIV), Luke 2:12 (NIV), Hebrews 10:19-22 (ESV)

Discuss:

- What are some situations where you feel alone? Invite God into those situations to be with you.
- What happens to your heart when you realize that God has invited you close to him... no matter how old or young you are?
- Recognizing that you are an unlikely choice, how does your heart respond to God's invitation to come to him?

Pray together:

Father, thank you for inviting me to come and see who you are. Thank you that you are a gentleman and don't demand our loyalty. Thank you for welcoming me into your family and leading me toward more and more health. Thank you for sending your son and bringing us

closer to you. When I am not feeling close, please remind me that you are closer than a brother. Thank you for picking me... even though I am an unlikely choice.
In Jesus' name, Amen!