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Luke 2:1-18

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How did it impact you hearing the prophecies about the Messiah read in the synagogue, before Jesus came?

What was the attitude of the people toward shepherds? What was God saying by having His Son's birth announced to such people as shepherds, rather than to the nation's official leaders or at least to people considered respectable?

What is the significance of the spotless lamb in the film?

How can you experience the joy of the shepherds anew?

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This episode jumped back and forth between two timelines – the main story, which led up to the birth of Jesus, and Mary's reflection of the birth of Jesus near the end of her life.

What stuck out to you about this episode? Were there any scenes that you found interesting or moving?

Now that you've seen this retelling of Jesus' birth, how has your view of the story changed? Has that affected the way you think about Jesus or God?

Mary recalls a song she sang whilst she was pregnant with Jesus. In your own words, what does Mary's song say? (See Luke 1:46-55).

How does Mary demonstrate what it means to put faith in Jesus?

Mary felt that people must know about the events of Jesus' birth and the song she was inspired to sing. Is there anything about the birth of Jesus and the Gospel message that you feel compelled to share with others? How might you do that in the coming weeks?