PRESENCE

THE GIFT OF CHRISTMAS

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Discussion Questions

1). Are there areas of your life the	nat feel mundane or uninspired? How can the
message of Jesus' birth help bri	ng meaning to those areas?

- 2). The Christmas story highlights shepherds, often considered outsiders. Why do you think God chose to announce the birth of Jesus to them first?
- 3). How does the contrast between earthly power (Caesar, Quirinius) and divine humility (Jesus in a manger) deepen your understanding of the Christmas story?
- 4). How can the story of the shepherds inspire us to carry the message of Jesus' birth into our "fields and flocks"
- 5). The message describes Jesus as Savior, Messiah, and Lord. Which of these roles resonates most with you, and why?
- 6). How can viewing your everyday routines through the lens of faith transform them into something extraordinary?
- 7). What does it mean to you that "outsiders are welcome" at the manger? How can this shape the way we interact with others in our community?
- 8). The message speaks of peace with God even in a world without complete peace. How can this understanding of peace change the way we face struggles?

- 9). Why is the idea of God becoming human through the incarnation so central to the Christian faith?
- 10). What steps can you take this Christmas to move from "meh" to "meaning" in your faith journey?

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