

Peace on Earth
Week 3: Luke 2:1-20

Luke 2:14 (NLT) “Glory to God in highest heaven, and peace on earth to those with whom God is pleased.”

Our reaction to Jesus

The Shepherd’s reaction: immediate action and

“all who heard” reaction: _____

Mary’s reaction: kept it in her _____

Peace looks different to different people...

... if peace is action and investigation:

Matthew. 5:9 (NLT) God blesses those who work for peace, for they will be called the children of God.

...if peace is astonishment:

Colossians 1:19-20 (NLT) For God in all his fullness was pleased to live in Christ, and through him God reconciled everything to himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ’s blood on the cross.

...if peace is kept in your heart:

Isaiah 9:6 (NLT) For a child is born to us, a son is given to us...And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Our response to Jesus

Luke 2:20 (NLT) The shepherds went back to their flocks, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen. It was just as the angel had told them.

The Shepherds went back to their regular life, but with a different _____.

Philippians 4:6-7 (NLT) Don’t worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God’s peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

Will Jesus _____ you?

Philemon 4:4-7(NLT) I always thank my God when I pray for you, Philemon, because I keep hearing about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all of God’s people. And I am praying that you will put into action the generosity that comes from your faith as you understand and experience all the good things we have in Christ. Your love has given me much joy and comfort, my brother, for your kindness has often refreshed the hearts of God’s people.

Final Thought: Christmas was the beginning of Jesus’ earthly _____. How will this Christmas affect your _____?