

Application Questions

Luke

Chapter 2:1-20



Introduction

This week in Luke, we took a different look at the Christmas Story, the birth of Jesus. Have we lost the wonder of it all? Not so fast.

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Questions:

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1. When was the last time you were struck by wonder? (trip to the zoo?)
 2. Why do you think that we lose wonder the older we get? Why do we not “find a galaxy of meaning in a duck” like kids do?
 3. What in the Christmas Story (Luke 2) fills you with wonder? Read it again like a child and see what pops out at you.
 4. How does God’s sovereignty fill your mind with wonder? (Psalm 135:6, Ephesians 1:11, Job 42:2)
 5. Who do you notice at the Nativity Scene that surprises you? (Who’s on the Guest List?)
 6. Explain the Gospel again in the group. What is it about the Gospel that should fill us with wonder? (the fact that you were undeservedly invited)
 7. What does this Tim Keller quote mean: *“sheep can do very little on their own. In short, shepherding is comprehensive. The sheep are dependent on the shepherd for absolutely every area of their lives. Sheep do not merely need the shepherd only on weekends or during difficult times. He is their comprehensive Lord and Savior”*
 8. What does it mean for Mary to “treasure up all these things” and “ponder them in her heart”?
 9. What can you practically do to work against your answer to #2. How does Bible reading play in to that?

Further Study / Scripture

Magic Mirror by John Mark MacMillan

Recapturing the Wonder by Mike Cospers

The Jesus You Never Knew, Philip Yancey