

BEHOLD THE WONDER Luke 1 & 2 (ESV)

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## **MESSAGE NOTES**

<u>And behold</u>, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to Him the throne of His father David, ... - Luke 1:31 - 32 (ESV)

"<u>And behold</u>, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." - Luke 1:36 - 37 (ESV)

And the angel said to them, "Fear not, <u>for behold</u>, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a Baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." - Luke 2:10 - 12 (ESV)

"... <u>Behold</u>, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ..." – John 1:29 (ESV)

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- Discussion Starter: Share your favorite part of the story of the birth of Jesus Christ.
- Read some of the events leading up to the birth of Christ in Luke 1:5 38 and Luke 2:1 20. Notice every place the word "*BEHOLD*" appears. Each time you find the word, ask God what remarkable thing He wants us to see about Him.
- Read Luke 1:31 32. How does God coming in the humility of the manger demonstrate His love for us? Take some time to discuss why Christ is "great" and what it means for us to follow Him on the "throne" of our lives?
- Read Luke 1:36 37. How does Elizabeth's story inspire you this Christmas? What remarkable truth is God revealing about Himself through her life?
- Read Luke 2:10 12. How does the shepherds' story speak to you this Christmas? What does it mean that Jesus came to bring "good news of great joy for all the people"?
- Read John 1:29. Why is Jesus being the "*Lamb of God*" such a powerful part of the Christmas hope?