

Advent Devotional - Day 14

December 14th



Scripture: Luke 2:15-16 Verse: *“When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, ‘Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.’ So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.”*

Reflection:

The shepherds’ response to the angelic announcement is a beautiful example of eagerness and faith. Despite their initial fear, they quickly decided to go to Bethlehem to see the newborn Savior. Their immediate action and enthusiasm reflect a deep trust in God’s message and a genuine desire to witness the miracle of Jesus’ birth.

In modern times, we often receive messages or nudges from God through various means—whether it’s through Scripture, prayer, or the encouragement of others. However, our busy lives and distractions can sometimes cause us to delay or overlook these divine invitations. The shepherds’ eagerness challenges us to respond promptly and wholeheartedly to God’s call.

Reflect on a time when you felt a nudge from God to take action. How did you respond? Were you quick to follow, or did you hesitate? The shepherds’ story encourages us to act with faith and urgency when God speaks to us. Their journey to see Jesus reminds us that encountering Him should be our highest priority, no matter the circumstances.

As you go through your day, consider how you can be more attentive and responsive to God’s messages in your life. Let the shepherds’ eagerness inspire you to seek Jesus with a willing and open heart, ready to witness His presence and work in your life.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for the example of the shepherds’ eagerness and faith. Help us to respond promptly and wholeheartedly to Your call, seeking Jesus with a willing and open heart. Guide us to prioritize our relationship with You above all else. Amen.



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