

**Tri-Village Sermon Discussion Questions** Topic: *Unaware in Rome* Text: Luke 2:1-7 Service Date: December 8, 2024

Note: The questions are only a starting point for discussion. Don't hesitate to modify, adapt, or highlight only specific ones to fit your group and/or personal study.

## **Getting Started**

• Growing up as a child, what are some memories that you recall about the Christmas season?

## Sermon Discussion

- Have you ever "missed" Christmas? Maybe because of work, travel, looking inward instead of outward, or possibly even because you weren't a believer in the true meaning of Christmas?
- What distracts us during the Christmas season? What kinds of things do you do to point yourself, co-workers, friends towards Jesus during the season?
- Take a moment to read Luke 2:1-7. Why does the lowly setting in which Jesus gave birth still matter to us today?
- Paul asked this question during the message on Sunday: "Why didn't God chose a place like Rome for the arrival of His only Son to enter the world?" Why do you think Jesus was born in Bethlehem?
- Being unaware, distracted, preoccupied, and self-centered are easy characteristics to fall prey to unless we do not \_\_\_\_\_\_. (*Fill in the blank with your thoughts as it relates to focusing on our walk with Jesus and the meaning of Christmas as His followers.*)
- In addition to being unaware, "Rome believed it had everything it needed." Sometimes we may feel similarly, having all that we need in life and are quickly humbled. Why do you think it is so easy to lose sight of remaining close to Christ in all situations, specifically those mountain-top moments when we feel invincible?

- In thinking about your own spiritual journey, are there specific things that "jump out" to you about the way Jesus came and was born? Do you find that the way He came to earth impacts how you live and give?
- What can you do, or your family do together, to make others aware of Jesus this Christmas/during this month?

## Resources

Book: *The Case for Christmas* by Lee Strobel Book: *Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas* by Adam Hamilton

## Have you or someone in your group experienced a Story of Life Change?

We'd love to hear about it! In fact, one of Tri-Village's values is "Stories of Life Change". Visit tri-village.org/yourstory and share how God worked.