



**God With Us**  
**Part 3 - Good News for the Lost and Lonely**  
**December 17, 2023**

**Read: Isaiah 9:6 and Luke 2:8-12**

How can we ensure that we don't lose the sense of wonder and significance of Christ's birth amidst the busyness and distractions of this season?

**Read: Romans 5:8**

Have you ever found yourself sharing the message of Jesus with the same friends and family seemingly without much response? How does Romans 5:8 encourage you to never give up on those who are lost?

What is it about the Christmas season that seems to make the lost more receptive to the gospel? Do you have a personal story to share of when you witnessed this receptivity in an individual or group during the Christmas season?

**Read: Romans 10:9**

Share your personal testimony regarding how Jesus saved you. How did you come to declare that "Jesus is Lord" and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead?

**Read: Ephesians 1:5**

How does being part of God's family impact your identity and sense of belonging? How can we actively help others experience this sense of belonging in our church?

**Read: Ephesians 2:10**

How do these works give your life purpose? In what ways does your present life's purpose differ from your purpose before you knew Christ?

**Read: Matthew 11:28**

Not everyone experiences inexpressible joy during the Christmas season. Many are dealing with grief, loneliness, depression, stress, or crisis. Where do you find yourself this Christmas, and how can we come to Jesus in our times of hardship?

**Read: Luke 15:20**

Have you ever felt distant from God and then experienced His embrace and forgiveness? How can this story help us understand God's grace and love for the lost?

Reflect on how Jesus saved you, brought you into His family, gives you purpose, offers you rest, and is preparing a place for you. How do these aspects of Jesus' work in your life inspire you to share the good news with others who may be lost or lonely?