Season of Silence

Christmas often starts by untangling lights, hoping they light up. But 2,000 years ago, God untangled the world by sending us "the Light." As we look at the stories of Jesus entering our world, we'll discover how they are all stories of light.



INTRODUCTION

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STARTER QUESTION

The Magi not only noticed the star, but pursued it. What "star" has God placed in your life that you should pursue?

INTO THE WORD

David discussed possible causes for the Star of Bethlehem the Magi followed, concluding the likelihood was an astronomical event called a *conjunction*. What have you previously considered to be the source of the bright light? Since the Bible sometimes refers to angels as "stars", is it possible angels were guiding the Magi on their journey?

"Time in erodes awareness of". Think through this statement. How is s this statement true of any relationship in our lives? In our jobs? How about our relationship with God?

David stated that the longer you follow Jesus, the easier it is to take Him for granted. Sometimes, we unwittingly act like He should be serving us instead of the other way around. Do you find this to be true? What can we do to lean in more to Jesus to avoid taking him for granted?

APPLICATION

Read Romans 1:19-20. Think of some examples from God's created order that you can share with your family and friends during this Advent season that would point them to Christ. How do these verses take the pressure off you when sharing Christ with anyone?

True worship causes us to burst with generosity. When we are generous, what impact does that have on the people and world around us?

What is one takeaway from this weeks message? What do you remember from the online message?

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, thank you for sending your Son to pay the punishment for our sins by dying on the cross. As the light of your Word penetrates our hearts, we open ourselves up and give You thanks. Help us, Lord God, to be patient, forgiving and loving so that we may show others "the Light". Amen.