

1. Who is the most joyful person you know (or have known)? How do they express joy?
2. When is it most difficult for you to live joyfully? Why?
3. Read Luke 2: 8-11. What was the angel's news? Is it possible that news from an angel, to a group of shepherds over 2,000 years ago, is still changing lives today? How is the angel's news changing your life?
4. C.S. Lewis. "Put first things first and we get second things thrown in: put second things first and we lose *both* first and second things." What things do you sometimes put *first* that really should be *second* things? What brings you the most joy each day; *first* or *second* things?
5. Read Luke 24: 50-53. The men who followed Jesus experienced the "great joy" promised over 30 years earlier by the angel. As a result, they shared this joy with the world. Is it possible to keep "good news of great joy" bottled up inside of you? How are you personally sharing the joy of Christ with others?
6. Who is one person in your life that desperately needs the joy of Christ? How can this small group help you pray and share the good news of the gospel with this person?