



New Hampton Community Church

Message Notes ~ Sunday December 15, 2024

### “The Gift of Christmas” week 3

*“An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.”* Luke 2:9-10

*“Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy”* 1 Peter 1:8

*“Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound, and all that is in it. Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees of the forest sing for joy. Let all creation rejoice before the Lord, for he comes.”* Psalm 96:11–13

➤ Christmas celebrates \_\_\_\_\_ coming to \_\_\_\_\_

*“But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord”* Luke 2:10–11

*“returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told”* Luke 2:20

➤ For those who \_\_\_\_\_, find \_\_\_\_\_

*“When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.”* Matthew 2:10–11

*“Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.”* James 1:2–3

➤ You can \_\_\_\_\_ in the way that \_\_\_\_\_

➤ Choose \_\_\_\_\_

*“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus”* 1 Thessalonians 5:16–18

➤ Choose \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus said, *“If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father’s commands and remain in his love”*  
*“I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.”* John 15: 10-11

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*“I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.”*

John 15:11

➤ Choose to \_\_\_\_\_

#### Questions to discuss;

1. Would you describe your feelings about Christmas as “filled with joy”?
2. What is keeping you from experiencing joy this Christmas season?
3. How will you remember to choose gratitude, obedience and abiding in God’s love this week?
4. Who will you share the joy of Jesus with this Christmas ?