# Talk It Over

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Questions are prepared each week and are designed to prompt insights, questions, and the life experience of each listener. If these are used immediately following the sermon, it would be much the same as what was done in Israel at the time of the early church.

For the sake of time, you may want to choose one or two questions.



## **Advent Week 3: Joy**

## Warm Up:

Share your favorite Christmas memories. What makes you smile during the Christmas season?

#### **Discuss:**

- 1. In your mind what is the difference between JOY and Happiness?
- 2. How would you explain the idea of "choosing Joy" on a given day?
- 3. What makes that so difficult?

## Read: Luke 2

- 1. Talk about the juxtaposition of light and darkness. Who is in the darkness; where does the light come from; what are the feelings of those in darkness; what is the message of those in the light?
- 2. Why do you think the Birth Announcement was given to royalty or local officials?
- 3. Discuss the promises of God that you've seen to be true, just as you were told.

### Pray:

Take a moment and close in prayer as a group. Pray that each of us can learn to choose joy and share that joy with others.