

Series: The Inn People
“ SHEPERDS – SEIZE THE MOMENT”
Luke 2: 8-20
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Reasons why shepherds were first to know the “Good News.”

1. Occupation
2. Expectations

Observations:

1. Find out what is going on in your neighborhood (v.8)

Opportunities are often missed because we wait for the big moments and pass up the small ones.

2. Opportunities come to people doing their job. (v 8)
3. Opportunities are often fearful in the beginning. (vs.9-10)
4. When you obey – God will reveal (vs. 11-14)

Guidance guidelines:

1. The greater the change- the greater the sign.
2. The greater the call ~ The greater the conformation
3. Where God leads He will precede
4. Those who obey will find the right way.
5. Once you know you had better go. (v.15)
6. Once you go you will know. (v.16)

From Mary they heard the Story of the Savior’s birth.

From Joseph they heard the Story of the Savior’s birth.

7. Once you know you will want to tell others. (v17)

The evidence that a person has authentic faith is that he cannot keep it to himself- he must tell others.

8. Once you hear you will want to think about it. (vs 18-19)
9. Once you meet Him your life will be changed. (v.20)

After we meet Jesus.....

We are to go back to our place in life.

We will go back changed because we know the truth