



ICONS

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Worship Team Lay Me Down

Greeting / Welcome

Worship Team Let God Arise
This Is Amazing Grace
All To You

Message Icons Part 4
Harrison Smith

Offering / Announcements / Dismissal

Nativity 2.0

#HisHands&Tweets

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

We are called to be His Hands and Tweets here on earth.

The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

Luke 2:8-20 (NIV)

1. God ORDAINS the ORDINARY.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." Jeremiah 1:5

*When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were **unschooled, ordinary** men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus. Acts 4:13 (NIV)*

Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. 1 Corinthians 1:26-27 (NIV)

2. There's a MISSION in the MESSAGE.

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Compare Matthew 1:23 with Isaiah 7:14

Compare Matthew 2:5-6 with Micah 5:2

*Therefore **go and make disciples of all nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...**Matt. 28:19***

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. Psalm 96:3

3. Make JESUS the HEADLINE.

When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed [astonished/wondered] at what the shepherds said to them.

*And pray for me, too. Ask God to give me the right words so I can boldly explain God's mysterious plan that the Good News is for Jews and Gentiles alike. **Ephesians 6:19 (NLT)***

Going deeper on your own. Every Christmas is Jesus' introduction to follow Him and to spread the good news of His coming. While we are each blessed by this good news, Jesus asks that we not keep it to ourselves, yet share it. Answer these questions—Have you ever shared with anyone who Jesus is? What He has done, and what He has meant in your life? Maybe a family member? A co-worker? The guy at the register? Are you willing to tell this person that Jesus Christ is here and that He can change their life, as He has changed yours? Tell them your story – how the Savior saved your life. In this new technological age, we have been provided with new mountaintops to shout out to the masses. How are you using your social media, your Twitter? Just one tweet can change a life forever. We have been given our instruction: share the good news of Jesus Christ. Tell someone about Jesus. Be His Hands and Tweets. We would love to hear how you are sharing the good news. You can write me at jay@centerpointchurch.com.