

SERIES: CHRISTMAS BREAKTHROUGH

Part 4: DISCOVERING JOY

“That night there were shepherds staying in the fields nearby, guarding their flocks of sheep. ⁹Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared among them, and the radiance of the Lord’s glory surrounded them. They were terrified, ¹⁰but the angel reassured them. ‘Don’t be afraid!’ he said. ‘I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people. ¹¹The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David! ¹²And you will recognize Him by this sign. You will find a baby wrapped snugly in strips of cloth, lying in a manger.’ ¹³Suddenly, the angel was joined by a vast host of others—the armies of heaven—praising God and saying, ¹⁴‘Glory to God in highest heaven, and peace on earth to those with whom God is pleased.’” Luke 2:8-14

How to have your Christmas Breakthrough to joy:

I. _____ joy

A. _____ joy can be _____
right where you _____

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B. _____ that joy comes from God’s
_____ in your life

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II. _____ joy

Three choices for our Christmas Breakthrough to joy:

A. Go _____

*"When the angels had returned to heaven, the shepherds said to each other. 'Let's go to Bethlehem. Let's **see** this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.' They hurried to the village and found Mary and Joseph. And there was the Baby, lying in the manger." Luke 2:15-16*

B. Go _____

*"After seeing Him, the shepherds **told** everyone what had happened and what the angel had said to them about this Child. All who heard the shepherds' story were astonished." Luke 2:17-18*

C. Go _____

*"The shepherds went back to their flocks, **glorifying and praising** God for all they had heard and seen. It was just as the angel had told them." Luke 2:20*