



# Christmas CHANGES Everything



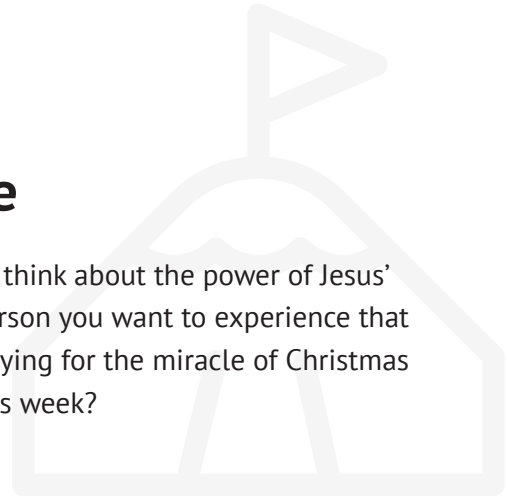
**SUMMARY** | When did Christmas become real to you? When did it become more than Santa and stockings and presents? At some point, it was about more than choirs and candles and carolers. As we grow, this holiday is no longer about the festivities. It is the celebration of every promise God made for us. When Christmas becomes Christmas, it changes everything. It did for Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, and the magi. Even Herod. Today, this miracle can change everything in us as we usher Jesus out of the nativity scene and into our hearts.

## This Week's Discussion Questions

1. Read Luke 1:26–38. How did Christmas change Mary, the mother of Jesus?
2. Read Matthew 1:18–25. How do you think Christmas changed Joseph, the earthly father of Jesus?
3. In Luke 2:1–20, how were the shepherds transformed by the birth of Jesus?
4. Matthew 2:1–8, 13–16 shows that Herod was changed by the first Christmas. In what ways?
5. Read Matthew 2:1–12. How were the magi impacted by the first Christmas?

## Challenge

Christmas changes everything. Take a moment to think about the power of Jesus' birth and how it changed you. Now, identify one person you want to experience that same transformative power. Will you commit to praying for the miracle of Christmas to infiltrate their heart this week?



## Commit To Memory

"I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May your word to me be fulfilled."

Luke 1:38



## Prayer

Dear God, Jesus changed everything with the first Christmas. May I be open to how You want to change me this Christmas with the love You made possible that very first Christmas. In Jesus' name, Amen.

