

## "THE GIFT OF GOOD GRIEF"

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God has hardwired His heart for the world into the hearts of those who are His

Luke 2:8-14 • Isaiah 9:5-6 • Ephesians 1:4 • 1 Peter 1:17-19 (MSG) • Psalms 121

- 1. Have you seen A Charlie Brown Christmas? Who is a character that you relate to the most? If you haven't seen A Charlie Brown Christmas, what is your favorite Christmas movie?
- 2. Sherita shared about a Christmas where her mother thanked God for a tree he would provide when it seemed absolutely impossible that it could come true. Share a favorite Christmas that you can look back on and see God's provision, even
- 3. "I think I have a problem, Linus...I'm still not happy and always end up feeling depressed."— Charlie Brown. Shultz highlights our struggles and disappointments around this time of year! What are some things that may steal your joy during the holidays or anytime of the year?
- 4. Sherita pointed us to Luke 2, a time when everyone was grieving and was "waiting for more"... describe a time when you were "waiting for more".
- 5. When we are left waiting for more, God delivered a gift to the world—how has the gift of Jesus impacted you?
- 6. As we get closer to Christmas, pray about who you can invite to join you for Christmas at the Movies—our special weekend services are Saturday, December 18 at 7PM and Sunday, December 19 at 9 and 10:45AM. Or invite to our Christmas Eve service, Friday, December 24 at 3PM.