



DAY 30



## “JESUS IS THE TREASURE”

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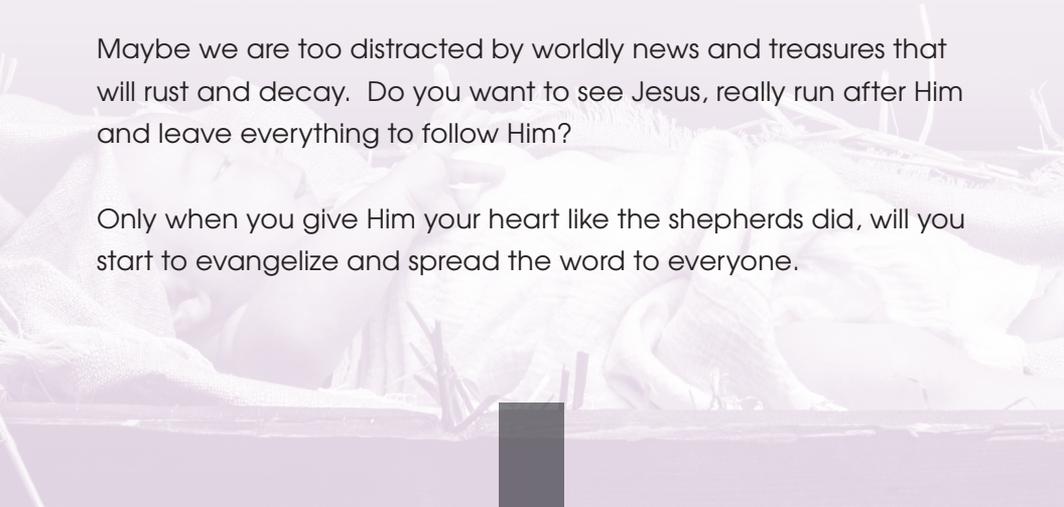
**So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.**

**Luke 2:16-19**

The shepherds were excited to see the newborn King Jesus. They likely ran and left their sheep behind in the fields. You should ask yourself, “when was the last time I was excited about Jesus?” We are visited by angels every week in the form of choir members and church leaders. You have heard song after song heralding the “Good News of Great Joy for all people” and are you unaffected by it? Has the Good News of Jesus Christ changed you? You hear the message preached, but do you really listen and “ponder these things in your heart?”

Maybe we are too distracted by worldly news and treasures that will rust and decay. Do you want to see Jesus, really run after Him and leave everything to follow Him?

Only when you give Him your heart like the shepherds did, will you start to evangelize and spread the word to everyone.



Jesus is The Treasure that is supposed to be shared! Don't keep Him to yourself. People will be amazed by what you say to them. Hurry! Don't wait! Today open your mouth to sing and to share the message that Jesus has come to bring Peace on Earth and reconcile people to God.

Do you tend to keep God's Good News to yourself or do you "spread the Word"? Why or why not?

Are you willing to leave everything (leave your sheep) and follow Jesus wholeheartedly? What do you value more?

Ask what it means to "treasure up all these things in your heart" and then go do it. Spend at least 15 minutes doing this.

*King Jesus help me to learn what it means to worship You like the humble shepherds did. Forgive me for the attachments I have in this world that prevent me from giving you my whole heart. Help me to let those things go. Forgive me for worshipping other gods. Help me to spread the Good News of Jesus to everyone around me. Give me urgency like the shepherds who hurried off to find the newborn King. I love You and I praise You. I desire to see You in Your glory!*

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