#### **Treasure Hunt**

- What is the overall structure of Luke 2:1-20?
- What contrast does this structure emphasize?
- What two meanings does "city of David" have in the Bible?
- What portion of David's life does the use of this title for Bethlehem recall?
- What is the inn in Luke 2:7?
- Compare and contrast the announcements of Caesar and the angels.
- What are some examples that the shepherds give to us who have met the Lord Jesus?

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#### Parallels in Luke 2

Announcement	2:1-2, Caesar's Decree	2:8-14, Angels' Announcement
Result: people move	2:3-7 Joseph and Mary to Bethlehem	2:15-20, The shepherds, to Bethlehem and beyond

# "The City of David"

First use:

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2Sa 5:7 Nevertheless David took the strong hold of Zion: the same is **the city of David.** 

Most frequently:

1Ki 2:10 So David slept with his fathers, and was buried in **the city of David.** 

1Ki 11:43 And Solomon slept with his fathers, and was buried in **the city of David** his father:

1Ki 14:31 And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in **the city of David.**  Bethlehem (1x):

1Sa 20:5 And David said unto Jonathan, Behold, to morrow is the new moon, and I should not fail to sit with the king at meat: but let me go, that I may hide myself in the field unto the third day at even. 6 If thy father at all miss me, then say, David earnestly asked leave of me that he might run to **Bethlehem his city**: for there is a yearly sacrifice there for all the family.

## "Inn" in Luke?

Καταλυμα, Strong 2646

2:7 And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the **inn**.

22:11 And ye shall say unto the goodman of the house, The Master saith unto thee, Where is the **guestchamber**, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples?

Πραδοχειαν, Strong 3829

Luk 10:33 But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him, 34 And went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an **inn**, and took care of him.

Attitudes toward people from Nazareth

Joh 1:46 And Nathanael said unto him, Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?

## **Two Royal Decrees**

Luk 2:1 And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

Luk 2:9 And, Io, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. 10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all [the] people. 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

#### **Other Helpful Verses**

Shepherds, 2:8:

1Sa 16:11 And Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all thy children? And he said, There remaineth yet **the youngest**, and, behold, **he keepeth the sheep**. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Send and fetch him: for we will not sit down till he come hither.

Heavenly Host, 2:13:

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1Ki 22:19 And he said, Hear thou therefore the word of the LORD: I saw the LORD sitting on his throne, and all **the host of heaven** standing by him on his right hand and on his left.

Angel of the Lord, 2:9: Used in OT of the Lord God, but also

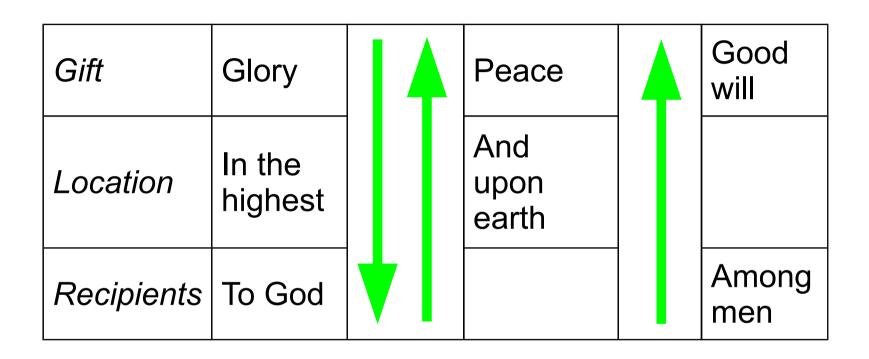
Hag 1:13 Haggai, the Lord's messenger Luke 1:26, 36, Gabriel All the people, 2:10:

Luk 2:30 For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, 31 Which thou hast prepared before the face of **all [the] people[s]**; 32 A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of **thy people** Israel.

Unto you is born, 2:11

Isa 9:6 For **unto us a child is born**, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

#### Chiasm in 2:13



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