"Small Towns Produce Big Things"

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Bethlehem reminds us....

I. GOD USES THE O_____ TO DO GREAT THINGS

A. All the important people were huddled in a s_____.

1. Shepherds, who represent the c_____ man.

2. A h_____ couple with no place to stay.

3. The h_____ baby, who is the Son of God.

B. Christianity is filled with p_____.

1. Bread and wine are a h____ meal.

- 2. Water will wash you clean on the i_____.
- 3. A c_____ will save the world.
- 4. Ordinary people will do e_____ things.

Memory Verse:

"But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel..." (Micah 5:2) Bethlehem reminds us...

II. WE ARE A PART OF A S_____ STORY

A.Christmas is a t_____.

B.We t_____ that which has been handed down.

C. It creates a new way of l_____.

- 1. Show k_____ to strangers.
- 2. Treat all people with r_____.
- 3. Be g_____ in all things.
- 4. Be c_____ with the wayward.

III. GOD IS WITH US

A. Christ is b_____ in you.

- B. And so, there is p____!
- C. When g____, give thanks!

My next step today is to...

- □ Memorize Micah 5:2
- □ Establish or revisit a family Christmas tradition!
- □ Invite a Friend, Relative, Acquaintance, or Neighbor to Christmas Eve services at Immanuel.

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