

December 12, 2010

## Shepherds: Afraid of the Light?

### Luke 2:8-20

<sup>8</sup> And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night.

<sup>9</sup> An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.

<sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.

<sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.

<sup>12</sup> This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

<sup>13</sup> Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

<sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in the highest heaven,

and on earth peace to those on whom his favour rests."

<sup>15</sup> When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."

<sup>16</sup> So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.

<sup>17</sup> When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child,

<sup>18</sup> and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.

<sup>19</sup> But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.

<sup>20</sup> The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Learning more about Island ECC                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteering             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Learning more about how to become a Christian      | <input type="checkbox"/> Talking to church leader |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Signing up for _____ (events / class / care group) | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership               |
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Today I attended the service at:

- 9.30am  11.30am  5pm

On the:

- 1st Floor  2nd Floor

## TELL US ABOUT YOU

Thank you for worshipping with us today! Do you have a praise item or a prayer request? Do you want to learn more about how you can get connected at Island ECC? Please take a moment to complete **both** sides of this form and place it in the offering bag, or at a designated box on the 1st or 2nd floor.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Number \_\_\_\_\_

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Praise / Prayer \_\_\_\_\_

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- If my praise / prayer request is shared publicly with the congregation at a Sunday service, please keep my name anonymous.