

## Message Outline

*The Meaning of the Manger:*

*Part 3—Making Room*

**Luke 2:1-20**



**Intro:** Teaching Traditions this Christmas...

- Our Christmas Eve tradition...Luke 2.

**Read:** Luke 2:1-20

- Three year Trilogy of Traditions...
  - 2019: Tree, Lights, Gifts...
  - 2020: Cards, Carols, Colors, Candies...
  - 2021: A Beat, Ballet, Book, Big Screen...
- Christmas Eve trilogy around the manger...
  - 2019: The Manger means a M\_\_\_\_\_
  - \*Jesus is not afraid of life's messes!
  - 2020: The Manger means M\_\_\_\_\_
  - \*Jesus is the way to the full life!
  - 2021: The Manger means M\_\_\_\_\_
  - \*Pragmatically, Jesus is in a manger because no room is made in the inn...missed opportunity by the inn!
  - \*Manger site today a marquee attraction...the inn is now abandoned.
  - \*Making room for Jesus is ALWAYS worth it in the long term perspective!!!

### How to Make Room for Jesus

- 1) Make room in your H\_\_\_\_\_
  - The role of personal faith...
  - Biblical faith is a lived out faith, not just mental assent...
- 2) Make room in your H\_\_\_\_\_
  - How to grow in your faith...
  - Prayer, Scripture, godly friendships, solitude, service, etc.
- 3) Make room in God's H\_\_\_\_\_
  - Church's key role in God's plan...
  - Making room for church is making room for Jesus in this life!