



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Merry Christmas, Life Group Friends!

The holiday season is now well underway, and we hope your joy is growing with it as you realize what a gift God has given us in Christ. Do everything you can to fight the materialism and busyness of the season and to make the most of your God, your family, your church, and to shine the light of Christ's love into the lives of those who are poor, lonely, angry, afraid, and discouraged.

This week's lesson is intended to help you do that. The study focuses on John 1:14 – "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us..." Is there any greater source of peace and hope than that? To know the presence of God's Son in our lives! Don't let anyone rob you of that joy! Pastor John MacArthur's message on this passage will sharpen your thinking as you prepare to discuss it with your group.

The coaching tip this week involves 3 parts: 1) an icebreaker to get your group thinking about the joy of Christmas; 2) an article on how to make the most of Christ's presence so that the presents under the tree heighten it rather than obscure it; and 3) an outreach activity with a twist you may have never thought of. Take time to read each it. It'll help you make the most of your small group meetings this Christmas season.

Our prayers and wishes for the most wonderful Christmas season ever!

Pastors Gary and Glen