



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Merry Christmas, Life Group Friends!

We hope you're finding this to be the happiest season of the year. No season is without difficulty. Jesus reminded us of this when He said, "In the world you will have trouble, but be of good cheer. I have overcome the world." Joy is the result of spending time in the presence of Jesus, and Christmas is a unique opportunity to do that. So don't miss out! Spoil yourself this week by taking time for just you and Him!

This week we continue to explore the mystery of John 1:14—"The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the Only Begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth." The focus of this study is on the mystery of His glory. John MacArthur's message on this subject is profound and will be a great help in your personal worship as well as preparing you for your small group discussion.

You should find the coaching tip helpful as well. It contains 3 parts. Part 1 is an activity designed to fill the hearts of your small group members with worship for Jesus our Lord. Part 2 is an article on how to help your members develop their spiritual gifts, so they use them in ministry to serve others. Part 3 is an outreach activity your small group may want to try together as a way of spreading Christ's joy to others this Christmas season. Please take time to consider these opportunities.

Please let us know if we can help you in any way. We are praying for God to use you again this week, thanking Him for your faithful ministry to our people. May God bless you in it!

Joyfully in Christ,

Pastors Gary and Glen