

My Favorite Thing
Almost Got It
4th Sunday of Advent

Week 4
12/18/22

Luke 2:1-7 NKJ 1 And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed. **2** (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) **3** And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David;) **5** To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. **7** And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; **because there was no room for them in the inn.**

_____ are fueled by “_____”.

_____ can lead to _____ of the heart.

Immanuel - _____.

Psalm 34:18 NLT The Lord is _____ to the brokenhearted; he rescues those whose spirits are crushed.

I must _____ Jesus.

1 Chronicles 16:11 NLT _____ for the Lord and for his strength; _____ him.

Psalm 145:18 NLT The Lord is _____ to all who _____ on him, yes, to all who _____ on him in truth.

1 Chronicles 28:9 NLT [T]he Lord sees every heart and knows every plan and thought. If you _____ him, you will _____ him. But if you forsake him, he will reject you forever.

NEXT STEPS:

___ What can I do to make sure that I do not miss Christmas?

___ I confess that there have been times when I was too distracted and missed Christ.

___ I will open my heart and make room for Christ.

___ I will invite someone to Christmas Eve and Christmas Day worship services.

KEEP THE CONVERSATION GOING:

Questions for everyone:

- 1) What can I do to make sure I do not miss Christmas?
- 2) What are some things that might distract you this Christmas?

Questions for parents to ask kids:

- 3) What do you think gets the most attention during Christmas?

Questions for kids to ask parents:

- 4) How can we make sure we put Christ first this Christmas?