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V. Now read [Luke 2:1-7](#). What emotions does this familiar passage invoke? How do you envision the inn/manger scene playing out when they had finally arrived at Bethlehem?

VI. Finally, read [Luke 2:8-20](#). Notice the shepherds' original reaction to the angels' apparition. How would you react if an angel appeared to you in the middle of a dark parking lot at night? What impresses you about the shepherds' obedience? In what sense should we all respond to Jesus' birth this Christmas like they did?

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