

Study notes for the message on 13th Dec 2020

Advent 3 - Birth and Death

Scripture: Luke 2 verses 1 to 7

Today's message looks at Jesus' life of peace and non-violence, and compares it to the way of power. The life of Jesus was based on the way of humility and service. With that in mind, we began to explore faith in God as opposed to trying to change things ourselves.

Read **Luke 2 verses 1 to 7** again. **Remind yourself** of the different ways God brought everyone together, to that one place, ready for the birth of Jesus.

Consider this statement:

'I can be free to serve, and know that God can use my serving to create change. I don't have to make it right; but I can serve in the middle of the wrongness and leave the fruit to God.'

Is that right?

Is it possible that such an attitude of trusting in God could tip over into laziness and doing nothing? If so, how do we keep that from happening?

Our message also considered how following Jesus could be simply living the normal life given to you most of the time, letting God work where he wills.

Are there times when Christians might need to do more? How do you know when?

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