

Message to the Shepherds

Questions we rarely, if ever ask ... or think about.

Why did the angel come at night?

- A. Angels are prettier at night
- B. Shepherds are less busy
- C. When the baby was born

Why announce it to Shepherds?

- A. Jesus came for the outcast (unaccepted - unclean)
- B. Jesus would be the Lamb of God
- C. Jesus would be our Shepherd
- D. David's home town and childhood occupation

Why did the host of angels show up, after the message was given?

- A. Too overwhelming at first
- B. In response to the message
- C. Even the heavens were celebrating
- D. See Luke's perspective of Palm Sunday in Luke 19:38-40.

What's the significance of a sign, to identify the child?

- A. Not the only baby in Bethlehem
- B. God likes to clarify and leave no doubt
- C. An emphasis of his lowliness
- D. A place Shepherds would be allowed and feel comfortable

Significant words that influenced Luke's writings

GOOD NEWS

Used 8x
Luke always uses it in a verbal form.

JOY

Occurs more in Luke
than Matt. & Mark combined. (10x)
1^{14, 44, 58}, 2¹⁰, 6²³, 8¹³, 10^{17, 21}, 24^{41, 52}

PEOPLE

Used 35x in Lk, 10x in Mt & 0 in Mk
47x by Luke in Acts
In Lk only not in 4/24 chp. In Acts not in 3/28 chp.

TODAY

Occurs more in Luke (11x)
than Matt. & Mark combined.
2 Significant ref. 4:21 & 23:41

SAVIOR

Only used by Luke and John

LORD

Used 95x in Lk, Mt.& Mk together 83x

GLORY

Glory / Glorify used more in Lk
than Mt. & Mk. Combined.