



## Discussion Questions – Dec.5, 2021

### *Surprise!: Message 3 – No Room and Real Life*

Instructions: A life group is a spiritual family. It is a time of mutual discussion, invitation, and growth together alongside the Holy Spirit. It's good to begin with prayer and 1-2 ice breaker questions to prime the pump and get to know one another. Then, after reading the Scriptures, **pick the questions that are of most interest to your group**. Make sure to conclude with a couple of application questions to live out our mission together. Finish with some time to care for one another and pray together.

#### **Ice Breaker Question (pick 1-2 questions)**

1. What has surprised you about following Jesus? In other words, how is your life as a follower of Jesus different than what you originally expected?
2. What is a challenge you are facing?
3. What is one thought or idea from Sunday's message that especially intrigued, provoked, disturbed, challenged, encouraged, warmed, warned, helped, or surprised you?
4. *If you want to watch the intro video again, go to <https://skitguys.com/videos/witness-his-majesty-wise-man>*

#### **Read and discuss Luke 2:1-7**

1. Have someone retell this passage in their own words.
2. What hardships do you think Mary and Joseph dealt with as a result of God choosing them to be Jesus' parents?
3. How do you think these hardships affected their faith?
4. What hardships have you experienced that have affected your faith?
5. How has God used other people in your life to strengthen your faith in the midst of hardship?
6. Why do you think people often equate difficulty in their life as a sign that God is distant and has forgotten them? What would you say to these people?
7. What does this passage reveal about God?
8. What does this passage reveal about people?

#### **Application**

1. Who in your life is a demonstration of God's love for you?
2. Who are you a demonstration of God's love for?
3. How can you specifically live out this passage in the next few days? (Everyone creates an 'I Will' statement)
4. How can you bless someone else as a result of this Scripture and discussion?
5. How can we as a group bless someone in response to this passage?

#### **Pray Together**