

## EXTRAORDINARILY ORDINARY

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### 1. Joy In God's \_\_\_\_\_ (LUKE 2:1-20):

- **Proclamation: Jesus met \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_, through the most \_\_\_\_\_.** (v.1-7)

HEBREWS 4:14-16

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- **Proclamation: The Gospel is for \_\_\_\_\_ people, not just \_\_\_\_\_ people.** (v.8-14)
- **Proclamation: Ordinary \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ the extraordinary truth of the \_\_\_\_\_.** (v.15-20)

### 2. Joy In My \_\_\_\_\_:

- **Reaction: \_\_\_\_\_ came to \_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_ not just my \_\_\_\_\_.** (v.1-7)
- **Reaction: God has given \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ to reach.** (v.8-14)
- **Reaction: When we find our \_\_\_\_\_, we cannot stop for \_\_\_\_\_.** (v.15-20)
- **Reaction: I am \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ to share the Gospel with \_\_\_\_\_ I know.** (v.15-20)

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- **Proclamation: The Gospel is for ALL people, not just SOME people. (v.8-14)**
- **Proclamation: Ordinary people are called to carry the extraordinary truth of the Gospel. (v.15-20)**

### 2. Joy In My Reactions:

- **Reaction: Jesus came to redeem my everyday not just my one day. (v.1-7)**
- **Reaction: God has given EVERYONE a SOMEONE to reach. (v.8-14)**
- **Reaction: When we find our SOMEONE, we cannot stop for ANYONE. (v.15-20)**
- **Reaction: I am equipped, empowered, and expected to share the Gospel with EVERYONE I know. (v.15-20)**

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