HE SENT A WHAT? Luke 2:1-14

VS. 6 "THE TIME CAME "

Mark 1:15

Eph. 1:10

"But when the time had fully come, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights as sons." - Galatians 4:4

1 Tim. 2:6 Titus 1:3 Heb. 9:26

GUYS, I HAVE AWESOME NEWS!

Not just for you, but for everyone!

Ever try to choose a gift that would please everyone? How did that work out for you?

Still shaking in their sheepskin, what was going through their minds?

What could it be?

A SHEPHERD COULD REALLY USE ...

More cooperative sheep
A more comfortable bed roll

A good night's sleep

Protection from threats to the flock
Better shepherds to work with

Competitive pay

HMMM...I COULD REALLY USE

 A nap • My kid to catch a break • My boss to stop being so difficult A beach vacation • A new bow, gun, truck, spouse, BF, GF, President The economy to turn around A raise in pay

• A winning lottery ticket That cure guy/girl at school to notice me My Amazon package to show up My court date to go well • My Ex to leave me alone My acne to clear up My application to be accepted • My secret to be kept And on and on and on

"Today (RELEVANT) in the town of David (FAITHUL, TRUSTWORTHY) a Savior (SECURITY, REDEMPTION, RESCUE, AWARENESS of NEED) has been born to you (PERSONAL, INTIMATE) He is Christ (LONG-AWAITED, CHILD of PROMISE) The Lord" (MASTER, GOD of the COVENANT)

WHY A SAVIOR?

Isaiah 64:6

Eph. 2:1-5, 13-14a

Rom. 3:9-24

"Now I'm not one to second guess what angels have to say, but this is such a strange way to save the world" - 4 Him

> Even if I thought I needed a Savior, He sure looks like a baby.

And even if I knew the Plan, the Cross is still about 33 years out...

33 years of a Savior

Who "grew in wisdom and in stature..." "who lived for a while among us" Who "showed us the Father" Who "was tempted in every way as we are, yet was without sin." Who ultimately "became sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God"

In the meantime, they had to wait and trust in 'the fullness of time" even as we are today.

Praying you too will find rest the quiet of His faithfulness