Series: Before Bethlehem

Sermon: Hope is Born in Bethlehem Speaker: Live at every Campus

Daily Readings

Monday: Micah 3 Tuesday: Micah 4 Wednesday: Micah 5 Thursday: Luke 1:1-20 Friday: Luke 1:26-38 Saturday: John 10:11-29

Discussion Questions

- 1. Have someone in your group give a brief recap of Sunday's message, highlighting the primary Scripture points and the main idea of the message.
- 2. Was there anything in this message you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you? Did you learn anything new about God or yourself this week?
- 3. Why do you think God so often chooses "small" or unexpected places (like Bethlehem) or people to accomplish big things?
- 4. Which part of Micah's vision in Micah 4 peace, justice, restoration most stirs hope in you right now?
- 5. Where are you tempted to place hope today other than in Christ?
- 6. What does it look like to live as "people of hope" even when circumstances don't change immediately?
- 7. What action step do you need to take in response to this week's message? How can your group hold you accountable to this step?

Action Step

- 1. Do one practical act this week that brings peace or relief to someone else.
- 2. Read the Christmas story daily this week. Be sure to read it slowly. Each day, reflect: Am I slowing down enough this Advent to be reminded of who God is, and the gift it is that Jesus came? What is God saying to you through the Christmas story?