

Taking it Deeper - Discussion notes  
Christmas Celebration  
Mark 1.8  
AGIF December 9

*Sunday summary - Where do we find Love? Joy? Peace? Hope? Actually, we don't have to search for them, God has sent them to us in Jesus. How do we receive them? By receiving the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Jesus. This Christmas we must open our hearts to Jesus.*

*Note - Over this Christmas season take some time off and be with friends or family, or enjoy a meal together, or take a meal to your neighbors, or someone in need. Next week will be the final LG notes until January 6, 2019.*

Intro question - What's your favorite childhood memory from Christmas?

For many of us Christmas is a time of mixed emotions - some happy, some sad. How is it for you? Perhaps share one "rose" and one "thorn" - one happy and one sad association with Christmas for you.

Read Mark 1.4-8

Do you know what "baptism" means? Can someone explain?

What happens in John the Baptist's baptism?

What happens in Jesus' Baptism?

How do we receive this baptism this Christmas?

Prayer suggestion - Pray for yourself and for your family & friends that they will receive the Holy Spirit this Christmas.