



# BEHOLD

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**Title:** Home for Christmas

**Text:** Luke 2:13-20

**Target:** The journey toward Christmas has taken a minute to get here, but it unwraps in seconds. "Home for Christmas" is making the choice not just to do Christmas, but be Christmas.

**I. The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ magnifies Jesus:** *"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,"* (Vs. 13)

**A. Gives The Highest Praise:** *"Glory to God in the highest"* (Vs. 14a)

**B. Brings the Deepest Peace:** *"On earth peace among those with whom he is pleased-goodwill among men"* (Vs. 14b)

**II. A \_\_\_\_\_ that's \_\_\_\_\_ pursues Jesus:** *"When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem..."* (Vs. 15a)

**A. Their Hearts were Convinced:** *"...and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us."* (Vs. 15b)

**B. Their Hearts were Consumed:** *"And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger."* (Vs. 16)

**C. Their Hearts were Changed:** *"And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child."* (Vs. 17)

**III. The \_\_\_\_\_ is always \_\_\_\_\_ around Jesus:** *"And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them."* (Vs. 18)

**IV. A \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ embraces Jesus:** *"But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart."* (Vs. 19)

**A. Overjoyed by God's Goodness:** *"treasured"- to keep closely together, never to forget.*

**B. Overjoyed by God's Grace:** *"pondering" - to bring together or to converse.*

**V. The \_\_\_\_\_ that's \_\_\_\_\_ shares Jesus:** *"And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them."* (Vs. 20)

**A. Our Worship is the Fuel:** *"glorifying and praising"*

**B. Our Testimony is the Fire:** *"as it had been told them"*

**Takeaway:** Leave something out from your Christmas decorations until next Christmas as a reminder to never forget the importance of Christmas, not just being in your home, but

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