## December 13 – The Music Luke 2

<sup>16</sup> And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. <sup>17</sup> And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. <sup>18</sup> And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. (Luke 2:16-18)

How do you think the shepherds felt after experiencing the angels and the baby Jesus? What do you imagine they said to everyone?

The conversation between the shepherds and others is the subject of one our most favorite carols: Angels We Have Heard on High. Look up all three verses to read the whole interaction – bonus points for singing it!

If a shepherd shared that story with you, what do you think your response would be? Would you accept it? Understand it? Believe it?

We would be much more inclined to listen, believe, or at least ask more questions if we knew the shepherd – the closer the relationship, the more likely we would trust him.

Who in your life do you listen to to learn more about Jesus? ~ Who in your life trusts you enough to listen to your story of Jesus? ~ Do you know what story you would share with them if you had the chance?

Father, thank you for making me a part of Your story of redeeming the whole world. I want to know that story so well that I can sing it, translate it, or adapt it however I need to for people to receive it. Amen.

## **Bonus Time:**

- What is your favorite Christmas carol? Which version of that carol do you like the best? Which version do you not like?
- ♦ Look up the lyrics to your favorite Christmas carol, then summarize its message in just a sentence or two. Now, turn those sentences into a prayer!
- Make a playlist of favorite carols for the whole household, the host your own caroling dance party!
- Set up a video chat with friends or family and sing them a carol—or invite them to join you!



