Lesson 9: Jesus and… you
Luke 2:8-12, John 3:16-7

Luke 2:8 *And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night.* ***9*** *An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.* ***10*** *But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.* ***11*** *Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.* ***12*** *This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."*

1. This is part of one of the accounts of the birth of Jesus. What do you know about the birth of Jesus, and what can you see here?

2. What is the good news that the angels are talking about? Why is it so good? The angels use three words to describe Jesus. What are they, and what do they imply about Him?

Let's read John 3:16-17
16 *For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.* ***17*** *For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.*

3. This is one of the most famous and quoted verses in the Bible. Why do you think that is?

4. We just read a short account of the birth of Jesus, and now we see Jesus talking about himself. We've been talking this whole semester about how Jesus feels about different things: Himself, conflict, the poor, friendships, and now we're talking about how Jesus feels about you. What do these verses say about how Jesus feels about us?

5. What does Jesus' birth say about how he feels about us?