

**Christmas Gossip: Did You Hear the One About....
The Shepherds, the Angels and the Baby?
Luke 2:8-20 (page 711)**

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Christmas is a time for:

- **surprises** (v 8-9)
- **Good News** (v 10-14)
- **believing** (v 15-16)
- **telling** (v 17-18)
- **reflecting** (v 19)
- **joy** (v 20)

THIS TOO I SHALL GIVE

THIS IS CHRISTMAS – THE REAL MEANING OF IT.

GOD IS LOVING;

SEARCHING;

GIVING HIMSELF - TO US.

MAN NEEDING;

RECEIVING;

GIVING HIMSELF – TO GOD.

REDEMPTION'S GLORIOUS EXCHANGE OF GIFTS!

WITHOUT WHICH WE CANNOT LIVE;

WITHOUT WHICH WE CANNOT GIVE

TO THOSE WE LOVE ANYTHING OF LASTING VALUE.

THIS IS THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS – THE WONDER AND THE GLORY OF IT.

– RUTH GRAHAM BELL