Shepherds and Angels

Luke 2:8-20 (series #8)

Intro: the 2 places where we are told that angels sing

- at creation (Job 38:7)
- as the Lord takes back the earth (Rev. 5:9)

I. The Angelic Appearance vv. 8-14

- A. The shepherds were watching their flocks
- B. First, a single angel appeared to them
 - 1. Their response was fear
 - 2. The angel gave them great news
 - 3. A Savior, Christ the Lord, is born
 - 4. The babe was lying in a manger
- C. The angel was joined by a multitude
 - 1. They were praising God
 - 2. "Peace with whom He is pleased"
 - Hebrews 11:6; Rom. 5:1

II. The Response of the Shepherds vv. 15-20

- A. They went to Bethlehem to see
- B. They widely proclaimed the story
 - 1st Corinthians 1:26-29
- C. Mary pondered these things in her heart
- D. They returned, glorifying and praising God

Conclusion: Does this story fill us with great joy?